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JAPANESE ARMY'S SUSPICION OF SOVIET PACT

Shanghai, To-day.

That the Japanese viewed the Sino-Soviet Pact with grave mistrust and suspected that it contained secret clauses, was the statement made by a spokesman of the Japanese Embassy at a press conference this morning.

The spokesman said Japan believed Russia may supply China with armaments "in the same manner in which she supplied the Spanish loyalists."

The Japanese had learned from reliable sources, he stated, that twenty Soviet pilots had left Russia on August 14 for China.

Questioned about the Japanese blockade the spokesman said that several foreign ships with Chinese names had been asked to slow down and signal their registry. All had complied.

He announced that the Japanese Army is preparing an offensive on all fronts. He admitted that the junction of troops in the Woosung area and the bluejackets in Shanghai had not yet been effected but insisted that Lotien is in Japanese hands in spite of Chinese reports to the contrary.—Reuter.

LOTIENCHEN CARNAGE

Shanghai, To-day.

Severe fighting is going on in the vicinity of Lotienchén. The Japanese claim to have occupied the town after 40 hours of incessant struggle.

The Chinese officially admit the capture but claim that the Japanese forces were again thrown back after a violent counter-offensive.

Another Japanese detachment is reported to have been landed close by and to be proceeding at once to the scene of the conflict.—Our Own Correspondent.

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BOMBERS TO ATTACK WARSHIPS ON S. CHINA COAST

Canton, To-day.

It is learned that 30 bombing planes arrived here to-day from Kwangsi. They are being employed for coast defence work and it is stated that the Governor of Kwangtung, Mr. Wu Teh-chen, has ordered all forces along the coast and the air force to attack any Japanese warship that comes within range of the coast.—Our Own Correspondent.

Amoy, To-day.

The Central Army 157th Division has arrived at Amoy and has taken over garrison duties in the area and control of the barracks and the forts.

On their arrival they threw a party of armed regulars round the Japanese Consulate.

The Japanese Consul left on the

JAPAN'S VERY LATEST

Shanghai, To-day.

The charge that two Chinese planes are operating with Japanese insignia on their wings was made by a Japanese spokesman this morning.

The spokesman said there was a possibility that they may "cause serious damage to non-combatants in the Settlement in order to blame Japanese aircraft."

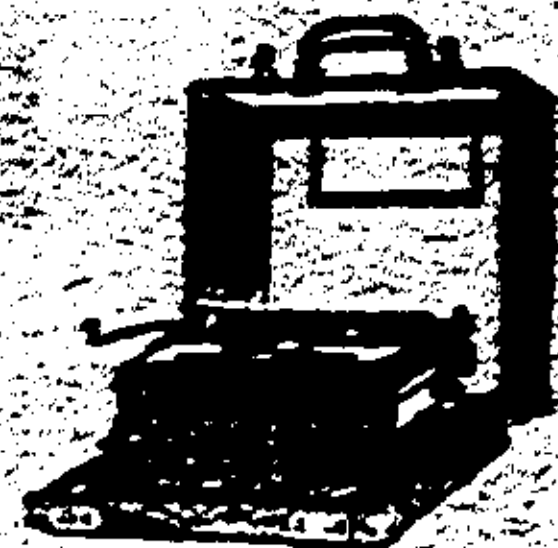
Asked whether this charge could be linked with the attack on the British Ambassador, the spokesman replied that investigations into the incident were not completed.

Meanwhile the Chinese military authorities have issued a proclamation threatening summary execution for looters, incendiaries, rumour-mongers, traitors, persons injuring water supplies and communications and persons possessing arms without authorisation.—Reuter.

"Chosan Maru" on Saturday and escorted by a Japanese destroyer, arrived in Keelung to-day.—Our Own Correspondent.



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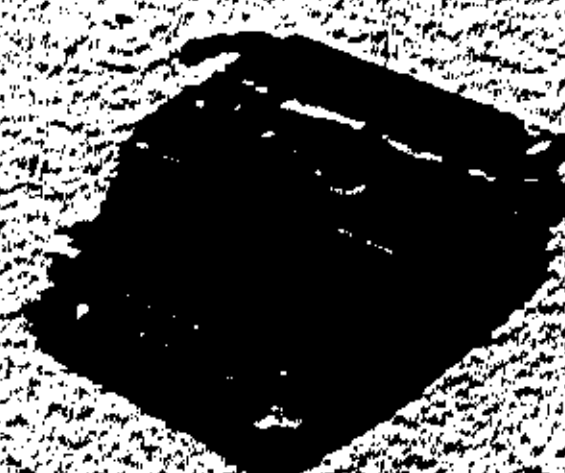
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Chocolate Hokey-Pokey

Boil together two cupfuls of fine white sugar and a cupful of water with three dessertspoonfuls of vinegar. Allow to come to the boil, and simmer gently for about half an hour, or until the toffee cracks in water. Take the pan off the fire and stir into it a teaspoonful of sifted carbonate of soda; mix this in without beating or the mixture will go sugary. Pour on a buttered dish, cut into squares, and cover with melted chocolate.

Peach Pie

Line the pie plate with pastry and fill with halves of peaches, fresh or tinned placing them hollow side up. Sprinkle with maple sugar and pour on enough sour cream to cover. Place strips of pastry across the top.

TEMPTING SAVOURIES INSTEAD OF A SWEET

Tempting savouries make a good finish to a meal, which men often prefer to sweets. Savouries should always be well seasoned and served very hot. Ingredients may be prepared beforehand, but the savouries should be served as soon as cooked.

Here is a delicious savoury which can be made on the spur of the moment if a tin or glass of soft herring roe is kept in the larder. Make some toast out of fairly thick large slices of bread, and as soon as ready cut into rounds with a biscuit-cutter. Butter thickly, and keep hot. Now cut some tomatoes in halves and fry until soft. Sprinkle with salt, pepper, and cayenne, and put half on each piece of toast. Dip the herring roes in seasoned flour, fry lightly in butter, and put half or a whole roe on each tomato.

Another good savoury mixture can be prepared in advance and cooked when required. Skin and chop two or three tomatoes, add two ounces of soft white bread-crumbs, three ounces of finely

chopped ham or tongue or a mixture of these, a dessertspoonful each of chopped onion and parsley, a sprinkling of cayenne, a pinch of mace, salt, and pepper. Mix well. Fry bread shapes golden brown. The savoury mixture can be heaped on the bread and put in a hot oven for ten to fifteen minutes, or it can be stewed for a few minutes in a saucepan and then put on the bread.

Smoked Fish

A simple savoury can be made with the remains of smoked haddock or other smoked fish. Flake it finely, and mix with a little highly seasoned white sauce or cream. Put on pieces of toast, sprinkle with grated cheese, chopped parsley, and paprika pepper, and put under the grill until lightly browned. Crab or lobster can be used in a similar way.

Sometimes less substantial savouries are wanted. Mushroom savouries are always good, and excellent mushrooms can now be obtained all the year round. For four or five people, chop a quarter

of a pound of mushrooms, season with salt and pepper, and add a little thick leftover gravy, savoury sauce, milk, or cream. Cook for a few minutes gently, then pile on small pieces of toast, sprinkle with grated cheese, and brown under the grill.

An appetising rice savoury is made as follows. For three or four people, fry a chopped onion in butter until soft with three boned and chopped anchovies. Then stir in a breakfastcupful of boiled, well-drained curry rice. Add a little more butter if necessary, cook together for a minute or two, and make very savoury with salt and cayenne. Lastly, stir in two tablespoonfuls of grated cheese, and as soon as it melts pile on bread or toast. Half a tin of pimentos makes an unusual savoury for four people (the other half can be used with scrambled eggs or an omelet for a breakfast or supper dish). Skin three or four tomatoes and chop with the drained pimentos and an onion. Season well, and cook in a little butter until the onion is soft. Serve on toast.

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Teddy Bears' Picnic (Bratton).
Moose In The Clock (Hunt).
12.50 p.m.—Patricia Rossborough.
Anything Goes—Selection.
Intro: Anything Goes, You're the Top.
I Get a Kick out of You, All through the Night, Blow, Gabriel, Blow.
Poor Little Rich Girl—Selection.
Intro: Oh, My Goodness, When I'm with You, But Definitely, Military Man.
1.00 p.m.—Local: Time signal and Weather report.
1.03 p.m.—New Light Symphony Orchestra.
Monastery Bells (Wely).
The Mill In The Forest (Ellenberg).
Monsieur Beaucaire—Selection.
(Rosse, arr. Bucalossi).
Irish Washerwoman (arr. Sowerby).
Turkey In The Straw (Guion).
Spanish Serenade (Bizet).
Spanish Dance, No. 1 (Moszkowsky).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Quentin MacLean at the

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Organ.
It Was So Beautiful (Freed and Barris).
Rhapsody In Blue (Gershwin, arr. Maclean).
1.52 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox Trot—
Dancing Moth.
I Need You.
Jay Wilbur and His Band.
Fox Trot—
Sweet Sue.
Rumba—
Nenita Mia.
Fred Jackson and His Orchestra.
Tangoes—
Punto Arenas.
San Fernando.
Heinz Huppertz and His Orchestra.
Fox Trot—
Hurdy-Gurdy Man.
La-De-De La-De-Da.
Nat Gonella and His Georgians.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
5-8 p.m.—European Programme.
8-11 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
5.00 p.m.—Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Roof-Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.
Recorded dance music will be played during the intervals from ZBW.
6.30 p.m.—Children's Records.
Uncle Peter's Nursery Sing Song.
Intro: Girls and Boys come out to play, Little Bo-Peep, Polly put the kettle on, Ding, Dong, Dell, Jack and Jill, Sing a song of six-

pense, Old King Cole.
Tom, Tom the Piper's Son, Christmas Day in the morning, The Frog's wooing.
Uncle Peter (Bass-Baritone).
You Are Old, Father William.
Speak Roughly To Your Little Boy, Will You Walk A Little Fast ("Alice in Wonderland").
George Baker (Baritone).
6.45 p.m.—Raie da Costa (Piano).
Say It With Music—Medley.
Intro: Love is the sweetest thing, I'll do my best to make you happy.
Smile and sing your cares away, Good morning, Mr. Sun.
Sweet and Lovely (Arnheim, Tobias and Lemare).
Many Happy Returns Of The Day (Kennedy and Dobson).
6.57 p.m.—Borodin, Quartet No. 2 in D Major.
Played by the Pro-Arte Quartet.
7.25 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.35 p.m.—Russian Music.
In The Steppes Of Central Asia (Borodin).
London Symphony Orchestra.
Hopak (Moussorgsky).
Alexandre Koubitzky (Tenor).
A Musical Snuff Box (Liadow).
Orchestre Raymonde.
Scherzo (Borodin).
Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano).
Prince Igor—Ballet Dances (Borodin, arr. Sir D. Godfrey).
The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.
8.00 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, and Weather report and Announcements.
8.03-11.00 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
8-11 p.m.—European Programme from ZEK on a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles.
8.03 p.m.—Songs by Tino Rossi (Tenor).
Les Fleurs C'est De L'amour (Montier and Tillymoon).
Te Revoir (Dallari, d'Angleys and Parera).
Le Chaland Qui Passe (Badet and Bixio).
C'est A Capri (Nazelles and Grosz).
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—Cricket Commentary.
8.30 p.m.—Variety.
Novelty—The Naughty Nineties.
London—Intro: Maiden's Prayer, While London's Fast Asleep, Two Lovely Black Eyes, As Your Hair Grows.
10.00 p.m.—Close Down.

Whiter, Glorious Beer.
Romance—Intro: Pas de Quatro, Daisy Bell, After the Ball, She Was One of the Early Birds.
Old Timers Sketch Company.
Vocal—
In A Persian Market (Ketelbey).
Solitude (de Long, Mills and Elington).
Comedy Harmonists.
La Voyageuse (Aubret and Delettre).
D'Amour En Amour (Lehevre & Delettre).
Lucienne Boyer.
Orchestral—
Manhattan Moonlight.
Manhattan Serenade (Alter).
Orchestre Raymonde.
Vocal—
Simple Little Melody.
Smile For Me (Film "Land Without Music").
Richard Tauber (Tenor).
Humorous Sketch—
What The Stars Foretell.
Sandy Powell.
Medley—Hullo Blackpool!
Intro: Hullo Blackpool, Coronation Waltz, Across the great divide, Boo-Hoo, Goodnight my love, All alone in Vienna, Delyse, Hullo Blackpool.
Jay Wilbur and His Band.
Novelty—
Rhythm Saved The World.
Shoe Shine Boy (Chaplin, Cahn).
The Mills Brothers.
Vocal—
Love Is Like A Cigarette (Kent and Jerome).
Many Happy Returns Of The Day (Film "Music bath Charming").
Kitty Masters.
Orchestral—
My Treasure, Waltz (Becucci).
Sweet Violets, Waltz.
Russian Novelty Orch.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News and Announcements.
9.55 p.m.—Chopin.
Chant Polonaise In G Flat Major Op. 74, No. 5.
Mazurka No. 17 In B Flat Minor Op. 24, No. 4.
Moriz Rosenthal (Piano).
Nocturne In C Sharp Minor.
Nathan Milstein (Violin).
Scherzo No. 4 In E Major Op. 54.
Mladimir Horowitz (Piano).
10.15 p.m.—Song by Frida Leider (Soprano).
Leonora's Aria ("Fidelio"—Beethoven).
10.21 p.m.—Beethoven, Piano Concerto No. 3 in C Minor Op. 37.
Played by Artur Schnabel.
1.00 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

The Card To Lead

So far, the example hands you have seen have concerned declarer's play. Declarer always can see his partner's hand, for it is exposed upon the table. The defenders, not having this advantage, must exchange information as to their holdings by the following conventional leads.

HONOUR LEADS

When leading an honour, you lead the highest in sequence. From K Q J you lead the king, never the queen or jack; from Q J 10, the queen, etc. Sometimes an honour is led from an intermediate sequence such as K J 10, Q 10 9, etc., and in such cases the proper lead still is the highest honour in sequence, the jack from K J 10, the 10 from K 10 9, Q 10 9, etc. The only exception is: from a suit headed by both ace and king with any number of other cards, the king is led, not the ace. When your partner sees the king win the first trick, he knows you probably hold the ace. It follows that the lead of any higher honour in sequence. The king, when led, probably shows the ace, the queen, or both.

TO-DAY'S HAND

North, dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
S A 8
H A K 5
D K Q 9
C K 10 7 6 4

WEST
S J 10 9 3 2
H Q 8 6
D J 8
C A 9 2

EAST
S 7 5 4
H 10 4 2
D A 7 5 3 2
C Q 5

SOUTH
S K Q 6
H J 9 7 6
D 10 6 4
C J 8 3

The bidding:
North East South West
1 club Pass 1 no trump Pass
2 no trump Pass 3 no trump Pass
Pass Pass

The declarer who played this hand knew enough about bridge to realize that certain honour combinations normally should be led "up to" rather than "from," but not enough to realize further that this general rule must be modified by other factors such as the time element and stoppers.

On the opening lead of the spade jack declarer, not wanting to block the suit, played dummy's ace, then returned to his hand with a spade in order to lead up to dummy's club suit. It was a short-sighted policy. The club jack lost to East's queen and East now returned his third spade, which cleared West's suit. Later, upon winning the club ace, West dashed off two more spade tricks, and then led a diamond to his partner's ace for the fifth and setting trick.

Had declarer counted his probable tricks he would have seen that three club tricks almost certainly would be sufficient, and therefore instead of squandering his spade stoppers he would have led a club from dummy at the second trick. It was more difficult to lose than to make this game contract.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: I opened the bidding with one heart. Partner responded with one no trump. What should have been my rebid with the following:

SK7-HA Q 10 8 D A J 6 GKJ 3 6 7

Answer: Two no trump.

Question: With both sides vulnerable, the bidding went as follows:
North East South West
1 club Pass 1 heart Pass
2 no trump Pass 3 spades Double
3 no trump Pass Pass
My hand, as East, was: S J 9 H 10 5 4 2 D K J 8 6 3 C 8 4. What was my correct opening lead?
Answer: The spade jack, through the suit partner had doubled.

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TROTSKY NEPHEW ON TRIAL

The spokesman emphasised that it was the Government's wish that normal conditions in these areas be as little disturbed as possible.—Reuter.

Alleged Murder In A Sampan

The case is continuing

Local Weather Forecast

The Royal Observatory reported this morning that pressure remains highest over the Pacific to the east of Japan, and relatively low in trough extending from India through

—Trans-Ocean.

300 GERMANS IN SOVIET GAOLS

COMPOSER UNWELL

Herr Strauss' place will be taken by Professor Clemens Krauss when the operas are presented during "German Cultural Week" in Paris—Trans-Ocean.

European's Loss

Lee Foo was admitted to the Kwong Wah hospital suffering from injuries received when she was knocked down by a lorry in Boundary Street yesterday.

Fishing Boat Fired On

While Ng Fuk and his brother were rowing a fishing boat, near Chik Wan, just outside British waters, they found themselves pursued by another boat with six or seven men. Two shots were fired and one hit Ng Fuk, causing a flesh wound. The boat then sailed away. No reason has been suggested for the shooting, as the fishing boat was empty.

to the Carolines.

The typhoon has entered the coast of Annam and is filling up to the south-west of Haiphong.

Local forecast — east winds
fresh; cloudy, showery

AMBASSADOR ON ROAD TO RECOVERY

Shanghai, To-day.

Dr. Gauntlett, the doctor attending the British Ambassador, Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen, issued a bulletin at 10.20 this morning stating that His Excellency passed a very good night and his condition this morning is definitely better.

No further bulletins will be issued. Dr. Gauntlett, interviewed by Reuter, said there was no cause for further anxiety but the Ambassador would not be able to attend to business for a few days yet.—Reuter.

KOMSOMMOL OUT OF FAVOUR

Moscow, To-day.

Scores of the most prominent leaders of the Komsomol, the Young Communist League, which has a membership of 5,000,000, have been arrested as public enemies, while a thorough reorganisation of the League has been ordered.

It is alleged that it was discovered that a "band of Trotskyist, Bukharinist and Fascist spies" had usurped the leadership of the Komsomol.—Reuter.

POISON GAS IN NANKOW PASS ALLEGED

Nanking, To-day.

Further Chinese allegations of the use of poison gas by the Japanese have been made.

The Japanese utilised this form of warfare, it is alleged, in the Nankow Pass area on Friday and Saturday, but the Chinese were prepared and were wearing gas masks, so that losses from gas were only small.

Many civilian casualties are alleged from gas, however.—Trans-Ocean.

KING AND QUEEN ATTEND SCOTTISH CHURCH

London, To-day.

The King and Queen and Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret, with the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, yesterday attended Divine Service at Crathie Church, where the preacher was the Moderator of the Scottish General Assembly.—British Wireless.

TYPHOON

The Manila Observatory warns of a typhoon in the neighbourhood of Hong 123 E, lat 14 N, moving North-west. The position is approximately 500 miles east of Manila. It is threatening the North Luzon coast.

LITTLE ENTENTE CONFERENCE

Belgrade, To-day.

The Yugo-Slav Premier, Dr. Stojadinovic, left Belgrade yesterday afternoon for Simai, where statesmen of the Little Entente countries (Yugo-Slavia, Czechoslovakia and Rumania) are holding a conference to-day.—Trans-Ocean.

SIT-DOWN STRIKE AGAINST ARMS FOR EAST

Washington, To-day.

Leaders of the National Maritime Union have threatened to call sit-down strikes on ships manned by their members in order to prevent implements of war reaching Japan or China.

Union leaders say the seamen are averse to carrying shipments of arms to China or Japan because they "violated the spirit of the Neutrality Act."

Mr. Ralph Emerson, representative of the Union in Washington, declared, "The State Department tells us there is not a war in China but Maritime Commission officials say there is a war."

"WICHITA"

Mr. Emerson predicted that the Commission will halt the American freighter "Wichita" now on the way with nineteen war planes for China, before she reaches her destination.

Otherwise, he stated, the Union will probably order the crew to start a sit-down strike.—Reuter.

MR. R.G. HOWE ARRIVING HERE NEXT WEEK

London, To-day.

Mr. R.G. Howe, who is going to take charge of the British Embassy in China, left Southampton yesterday on the Imperial Airways flying boat, Challenger.

It will take him 8 days to reach Hong Kong, from where he will probably travel to Shanghai by steamer.—British Wireless.

MAURITIUS RIOT

London, To-day.

Disorder broke out on Friday in one locality in the south of Mauritius and the police had to fire on the crowd, killing one man, according to information which has reached the Colonial Office.

Order was quickly restored and elsewhere the situation remains normal.

The incident is not thought to portend a fresh outbreak of the recent strikes as the trouble began not on a sugar estate but in a hostile demonstration at a police station in a big village with a bad record for crime.—British Wireless.

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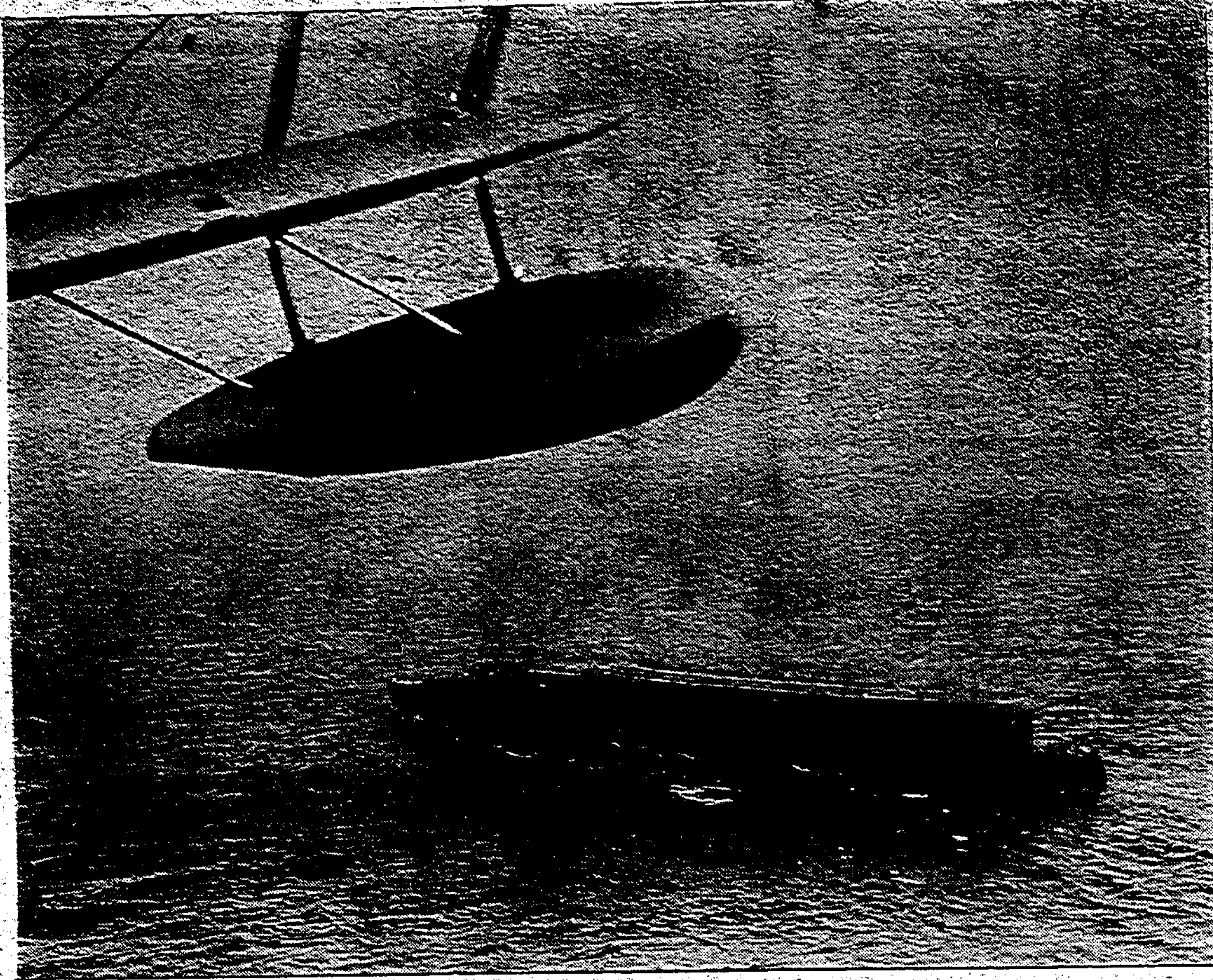
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TWO HANGARS GUTTED AT PARIS AIRPORT

Paris, To-day.

A fire which broke out in the early hours of Sunday morning gutted two hangars at an aerodrome just outside Paris.

Two monoplanes belonging to a French commercial aviation com-

Czech Minister

Lisbon, To-day.

The Czech Minister, M. Fiedler, is expected to leave Lisbon in the next few days.

M. Fiedler has remained in Lisbon since the breaking off of diplomatic relations between Portugal and Czechoslovakia, purely as a guest.—Trans-Ocean.

pany were totally destroyed.

Police later found the remains of an incendiary bomb, made in the form of a thermos flask.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPANESE SHANTUNG OPERATIONS IMMINENT

London, To-day.

The evacuation of 4,000 Japanese civilians from Tsingtao took place early yesterday morning and evening, says the "Evening News."

According to reports received in London from Tsingtao via Nanking, it is expected that Tsingtao and Shantung Province generally will become the scene of military action within the next few days.

From Nanking it is reported that the last American women, including families of the staff of the American Embassy, have left for Hankow.—Trans-Ocean.

POWERFUL FRENCH LEAGUE DELEGATION

Paris, To-day.

Composition of the French delegation that will attend the forthcoming session of the League of Nations was decided on at yesterday's Council of Ministers.

The delegation will comprise M. Camille Chautemps (Premier), M. Yvon Delbos (Foreign Minister), M. Edmond Herriot (President of the Chamber of Deputies), M. Paul Boncour (permanent French representative at Geneva) and several legal advisers and under-secretaries of state.

The Trades Union leader, M. Jouhaud, has accepted an invitation to accompany the delegation in the capacity of consulting expert.—Trans-Ocean.

BEHIND BRITAIN'S MILDNESS

London, To-day.

Studios moderation is the keynote of the British protest to Japan in connection with the Hugesen incident, and the demands are considered to be of such a nature that they can be fulfilled without national humiliation.

It is sufficient reproof that Japan should have rendered herself liable to receive such a Note at all.

There is no hint of reprisals and it is understood that the British Government has no further action in mind should Japan fail to comply with the requests contained in the Note.

REFUSAL IMPLICATION

British circles consider that refusal on the part of Japan would merely show the world finally that she is a nation without respect for any international decencies.

In regard to the forecast that an indemnity might be asked, it is the British Government's view that the issues are far too grave and wide for the matter to be made merely one of cash.

NOT DIGNIFIED

It is felt that in an event of such outstanding and serious international importance it would not be dignified to make any claims for compensation.

No date has been fixed for the Japanese Government to be asked to reply to the Note (further details of which will be found in Page Seven) but the British Government hopes that a reply will be forthcoming without delay.—Renter.

GERMAN STADIUM SPEECHES

Stuttgart, To-day.

The climax of the impressive gathering of 75,000 Germans resident abroad, held in the Stuttgart stadium, was reached yesterday afternoon when Herr Rudolf Hess, Herr Hitler's Deputy, and the Foreign Minister, Baron von Neurath, delivered speeches.

Baron von Neurath said that Germans living abroad were specially responsible for the regard in which Germany was held.

Herr Hess attacked the "lies" published abroad about Germany, particularly in regard to her warlike intentions.—Trans-Ocean.

YUGO-SLAVIAN M.P. SHOT DEAD

Belgrade, To-day.

A prominent Member of Parliament and member of the Government Party was shot dead by an unknown assailant from behind yesterday when he was only 200 yards from his home.

The shooting was apparently connected with a family vendetta and had no political motives.—Trans-Ocean.

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JAPAN'S FOREIGN MINISTER RECEIVES BRITISH NOTE

Awaiting Results Of Shanghai Investigation

FURTHER DETAILS OF TEXT OF DOCUMENT

London, To-day.

A message from Tokyo states that after the British Charge d'Affaires had handed in the British Note on the Hugessen incident to the Japanese Foreign Minister yesterday afternoon, it is understood that Mr. Hirota indicated that a reply might be delayed.

He pointed out that joint Anglo-Japanese investigation of the incident is proceeding in Shanghai and added that as soon as he was informed of the result he would communicate with the Charge d'Affaires.

- (a) A formal apology by Japan to Britain;
- (b) Suitable punishment for those responsible for the attack on Sir Hughe Montgomery Knatchbull-Hugessen;
- (c) An assurance that necessary measures will be taken to prevent a recurrence of incidents of such a character.

The Note describes the incident as "inexcusable," and describes as irrelevant the question of the flag, whether it was large or small, the whole issue is that they were non-combatants.

ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED

After requesting redress for the attack on the British Ambassador, Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen, the British Note to Japan states, "Although non-combatants, including foreigners resident in the country concerned, must accept as inevitable the risk of injury resulting indirectly from the normal conduct of hostilities, it is one of the oldest and best established rules of International Law that direct or deliberate attacks on non-combatants are absolutely prohibited, whether inside or outside the area in which hostilities are taking place."

"Aircraft are in no way exempt from this rule, which applies as much to attack from the air as to any other form of attack, nor can the plea of accident be accepted where the facts are such as to show at the best negligence and complete disregard for the sanctity of civilian life."

NO TROOPS IN VICINITY

After further referring to the illegality of attack on non-combatants, the Note states, "It is pertinent to observe that in this particular case the Ambassador was travelling in a locality where there were no Chinese troops nor any actual hostilities in progress."

"No Chinese troops were, in fact, encountered by the Ambassador's party until about an hour's drive from the scene of the attack."

ILLEGAL, INHUMAN

"His Majesty's Government feel they must take this opportunity to emphasise the wider significance of this event."

"It is an outstanding example of the results to be expected from indiscriminate attack from the air."

"Such events are inseparable from

the practice, as illegal as it is, inhuman, of failing to draw that clear distinction between combatants and non-combatants in the conduct of hostilities which international law no less than the conscience of mankind has always enjoined."—Reuter.

FULL TEXT

The following is the full text of the Note from the British Government to the Japanese Government on the wounding of the British Ambassador in China.

"The Japanese Government will be aware of the injuries sustained by Sir H. Knatchbull-Hugessen, His Majesty's Ambassador in China, as result of shooting from Japanese military aeroplanes when motoring with members of his staff from Nanking to Shanghai on August 26 last.

The facts were as follows: His Majesty's Ambassador was proceeding from Nanking to Shanghai on August 26 accompanied by the Military Attache and the Financial adviser to His Majesty's Embassy and a Chinese chauffeur.

The party occupied two black saloon cars, of an obviously private character, each flying a Union Jack approximately 18 inches by 12 inches in size on the rear side of the car projecting above the roof. At about 2.30 p.m. and about eight miles north-west of Taitsang, that is, some 40 miles from Shanghai, the cars were attacked by machine-gun fire from a Japanese aeroplane.

FROM 200 FEET

The aeroplane which fired the machine-gun dived from the offside of the car at right-angles to it. This was followed by a bomb attack from the second Japanese aeroplane from a height of about 200 feet. The Ambassador was hit by a nickel-steel bullet subsequently found in the car, which penetrated the side of the abdomen and grazed the spine.

His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have received with deep distress and concern the news of this deplorable event in respect of which they must record their emphatic protest and request the fullest measure of redress.

Although non-combatants, including foreigners resident in the country concerned must accept the inevitable risk of injury resulting indirectly from the normal conduct of hostilities, it is one of the oldest

HOSPITAL SHIP ALLEGED ATTACKED

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese military authorities allege that the hospital ship "Asahi Maru," on the way to Japan from Shanghai, was fired on by Chinese snipers from Woosung village.

Three male nurses, it is alleged, were injured.—Reuter.

and best-established rules of international law that direct or deliberate attacks on non-combatants are absolutely prohibited, whether inside or outside the area in which hostilities are taking place.

NO PLEA OF ACCIDENT ACCEPTABLE

Aircraft are in no way exempt from this rule which applies as much to an attack from the air as to any other form of attack. Nor can a plea of accident be accepted where the facts are such as to show, at best, negligence and a complete disregard for the sanctity of civilian life.

In the present case, the facts which have been recorded above make it clear that this was no accident resulting from any normal hostile operation and it should have been obvious to the aircraft that they were dealing with non-combatants. The plea, should it be advanced, that the flags carried on the cars were too small to be visible is irrelevant. There would have been no justification for the attack even had the cars carried no flags at all.

THE REAL ISSUE

The foreign, even the diplomatic status of the occupants, is also irrelevant. The real issue is that

they were non-combatants.

The aircraft no doubt did not intend to attack His Majesty's Ambassador as such. They apparently did intend to attack non-combatants and that suffices in itself to constitute an illegality. It is, moreover, pertinent to observe that in this particular case the Ambassador was travelling in a locality where there were no Chinese troops nor any actual hostilities in progress. No Chinese troops were, in fact, encountered by the Ambassador's party until about an hour's drive from the scene of the attack.

WIDER SIGNIFICANCE

His Majesty's Government feel they must take this opportunity to emphasise the wider significance of this event. It is an outstanding example of the results to be expected from indiscriminate attack from the air. Such events are inseparable from the practice, as illegal as it is inhuman, of failing to draw that clear distinction between combatants and non-combatants in the conduct of hostilities which international law no less than the conscience of mankind has always enjoined.

NO STATE OF WAR

The fact that, in the present case, no actual state of war has been declared or expressly recognised by either party to exist, emphasises the inexcusable nature of what occurred.

His Majesty's Government must therefore request,

First, a formal apology to be conveyed by the Japanese Government to His Majesty's Government.

Second, suitable punishment of those responsible for the attack.

Third, an assurance by the Japanese authorities that the necessary measures will be taken to prevent a recurrence of incidents of such a character.—British Wireless.

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Yet you can see it clearly among the young men who ought logically to inherit the leadership of this land.

You can discern it in their conversation: their gushing chatter about topics which once only interested the boarding-school girl at afternoon tea.

In their writings, their puling poems, their interests and hobbies, even their clothes, you can see that the garden of England is producing at the moment a record crop of human weeds.

It is a phase through which many nations have passed.

Germany knew this degeneracy just after the World War. It needed the advent of a strong man to eradicate the evil.

And Adolf Hitler—yes, I call him a strong man though I am neither Fascist nor Communist—welded the youth of Germany into one indivisible group, imbued with one purpose.

Mussolini has done the same thing in Italy.

What has happened in Britain?

We have seen the emergence of a group of bright boys who, while exerting an unguessed influence over the thoughts and actions of men of their own age, have themselves a mental, spiritual and moral outlook that makes a real man sick.

And in no direction is their moral decay more vividly revealed than in their attitude to a problem which ought to be uppermost in the mind of every man of fighting age to-day. The problem of war.

What is our country's great need? A tearing away of sentimental blinkers and realisation of the truth that we are a Great Power, that our possessions are envied by other Powers, and that sooner or later we may be called upon to defend them!

I've met quite a few of the young men who scream hysterically when such a blunt proposition is put to them.

They are the creatures who reel at the sight of a rifle, who swoon before a bayonet, who wave a lily instead of a Union Jack.

Where have they picked up this effeminate rot?

* * *

Largely from a study of the speeches made by the statesmen who are supposed to lead us.

Did you read the wise words which Viscount Cecil of Chelwood uttered in the House of Lords the other day?

"I do very much regret," said Lord Cecil, "the constant assertion that the only thing this country

CYRIL JAMES SAYS

"Britain's youth must stop listening to the twitterings of our human canaries who scream hysterically at the thought of defending their country. These people have an outlook that makes a man feel sick."

cares about is to keep out of war. That is constantly being asserted by Ministers and others. I feel that it is a most dangerous thing to do.

"In the first place it is a direct encouragement to disorderly Powers to become more and more aggressive and to treat our remonstrances with very scant respect."

But Lord Ponsonby said he was war.

shocked by Lord Cecil's "early Victorian bellicosity."

Well, my Lord Ponsonby, if that is early Victorian bellicosity, I'll tell you where to find a few more early Victorians.

I am one of them.

And, despite the ditherings of the young men who are currently said to be "speaking for youth," I think you will find behind me most of the men who must do all the dirty work when war comes.

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Oh, I know all about the horrors of poison gas, high explosive, germ-sprayed trenches and the other bogymen which have scared our peace-at-almost-any-price brigade.

I was too young to fight in the last war.

THE WORLD GOES BY By "ULYSSES"

TALKING of entertaining (we weren't, but it doesn't matter), I suspect that I shine more as a guest than as a host. As a guest I flatter myself that I am nearly perfect. I talk when the others hang fire, I pretend to listen when others talk. I am very careful to put all my spoons back. If the host says "Will you have a liqueur?" I always declare my abhorrence of liqueurs. If he says "What liqueur will you have?" (the proper formula, which I use on those rare occasions when I am host), I say cognac. If I see a name like "J. & Co." on the bottle, which I do in several Hong Kong homes, I make a display of turning the poison on my palate, and when the host says "How is it?" I always smack my lips and say "Ah." That's telling no lie, and it pleases him. He feels that he is a connoisseur entertaining a connoisseur, and the stuff does not seem to leave any stain on the carpet. But I often wish I could do more hosting, just to show them how.

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History

Chap asked me if I knew anything about history. If I said yes, and failed to give him exact details he would probably ask for, I would seem a fraud. If I said no, I would seem an ignoramus, and be untruthful besides, because, although I never remember the names of princes and dynasties, and never try, I think I know a great deal of the spirit of history, the more juicy bits. It turned out he had been reading a book about Elizabeth. He

asked me if I believed that there had really been found "evidence" to prove that Elizabeth had a baby. I told him that I believed Elizabeth was the sort of woman to have had several babies. Which leads to the age-old question of how reliable are our history books. Take Nero, for instance. Popular history, mentioning that he fiddled while Rome burned, suggests to us that he was a cruel, callous man. But let us put ourselves in his place. Here is a city in flames. What can we do? Nothing but weep or swear. We are not a trained fire brigade. We are an emperor. It gives us a pain in the neck to watch the destruction of our beautiful city. We sympathise with the agony of the crowd below our window. We would console them. We have one divine gift. We fiddle divinely. We will soothe them. They misunderstand. They go away and spread the report that we fiddled while Rome burned. We did, but it is not true that we did not care. There was no fire insurance. We too lost property. The obvious conclusion is that history as taught us at school is a lost of boloney. So throw away those history books, children.

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I hate to differ from "Argus," but I think the correct pronunciation is Knatchbull Hugessen.

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There are 164,675 more readers of the Daily Express than there are members of Mussolini's Fascist Party. Il Duce is reported to be having sleepless nights.

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Scientists think the first man lived in California. The office blonde thought he lived in the garden of the British Foreign Secretary.

But I was old enough to grieve over the death of someone very dear to me.

Someone who, though he was never cut out to be a soldier, fought stubbornly for me and died a hideous, agonising death.

I don't want to die like that.

But I'm not going to wave a white flag every time a determined Continental, deceived by the maudering pronouncements of our statesmen, bellows threats across the Channel.

The dictators are strong men.

But we are strong, too. Strong enough to say, "Now, listen for a change!"

Mr. Lloyd George is one of the few elder statesmen who would not hesitate to put the bullies in their proper place.

"These dictators are on top," he said last week. "They have not got any resources comparable with those of France, Russia and ourselves, but all the same they call the tune."

"You say that if we stand up to these dictators there will be war. I tell you this—if we don't stand up to them there will certainly be war."

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You may think it is easy for me to write like this from a comfortable armchair.

But I am not thinking only of that armchair, of all the comforts which my country allows me now.

I am thinking of myself in a trench, gripping a rifle, waiting tensely as dawn draws near for the whistle-call that will send me over the top to face a withering fire.

Afraid? Of course, I'm afraid. Only a fool is not frightened by that thought.

But that doesn't mean that I'm going to sit still, talking about the inevitability of human brotherhood and the innate kindness of mankind, while my country is insulted, derided and scorned.

All around me are young intellectuals who lisp that the British Empire has gone into retirement.

Well, I'm not thinking about retirement.

At twenty-eight I'm just starting.

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And to the old people who bore the heaviest crosses in the last war, I say just this:

There is one kind of peace any fool can win.

The peace of slavery.

Anybody can have it. Britain doesn't want it.

And when Britain's youth stops listening to the twitterings of our human canaries, maybe we can all work to bring about the real, enduring, honourable peace.

NORTH STATION BATTLE

Chinese Troops Fighting With Superb Bravery

FOREIGN INDIGNATION AT JAPANESE BARBARITY

Shanghai, 11 a.m., To-day.

The district round the North Station continues the centre of severe fighting, but it remains firmly in the hands of the Chinese troops.

The Japanese have thrown all available resources in the Hongkew area into the onslaught without avail and Japanese headquarters have been forced to admit the superb bravery of the Chinese troops, who are those of the Second Division, reinforced by the Nanking "Crack" Division.

At no point have the Japanese succeeded in advancing their lines, all frontal attacks in this difficult sector being thrown back with disastrous losses.

One Japanese unit was cut off and only a score succeeded in breaking through in a desperate attempt to regain their lines.

Chinese machine-gun outposts have exacted heavy tribute and most of the Japanese attacks have broken down before reaching the Chinese main defence line.—Our Own Correspondent.

TOWN OF WOOSUNG DESTROYED

Shanghai, To-day.

The regrouping of the Chinese and Japanese armies in the fighting area north of Shanghai is continuing, and in spite of harassing air raiders, the Japanese have landed more men and artillery in the Woosung region.

The Chinese, after having successfully evaded the Japanese encircling movement and holding on stubbornly to their previously prepared lines of defence, are engaged in strengthening their positions against the time when the inevitable Japanese attack is launched.

Such withdrawal of Central Government troops as was necessitated for strategic reasons was carried out in masterly fashion, skirmishing parties successfully covering the retirement.

North of Shanghai University the Japanese marines suffered heavy loss in attempting to establish contact with the Japanese detachments further north along the Whangpoo.

THE TOWN OF WOOSUNG, ALMOST RAZED TO THE GROUND DURING THE 1932 WAR, HAS NOW BEEN COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY THE INTENSIVE FIGHTING OF THE LAST FEW DAYS.

THE HEAVY FIRING OF GUNS IN THIS AREA CAN BE DISTINCTLY HEARD IN SHANGHAI ITSELF. SOME OF THE SHELLS, BELIEVED TO BE FROM LARGE-CALIBRE GUNS, ARE EVEN FALLING IN YANGTSEP00.—TRANS-OCEAN.

BARBAROUS BOMBING CONTINUES

Shanghai, To-day.

Japanese planes are again bombing the Chapei area in the immediate vicinity of the International Settlement, as well as the district west of North Station, and large columns of smoke bear witness to the destruction being caused.

Considerable indignation has been aroused among foreigners in Shanghai by the Japanese bombing of civilians in Nantao and in the North Station area.

However, the Japanese announce their intention of continuing to bomb these areas, as both North and South Station, they say, are being used for troop transport.

FRENCH BUDGET BALANCED

Paris, To-day.

The Council of Ministers yesterday accepted the Budget proposals for 1933 submitted by the Finance Minister, M. Georges Bonnet.

The proposals show that revenue and expenditure have been balanced.—Trans-Ocean.

Foreign quarters point out that if the Japanese intention is to stop troop movements, this could be just as well achieved by bombing the track beyond the two stations.

LAND ATTACKS HURLED BACK

Several Japanese attacks on the North Station area have been hurled back and the district is still in the hands of the Chinese defenders.

In the fighting near Lotien, the Chinese claim to have carried out a flanking movement and to have captured many Japanese.

Thirty Japanese warships off Woosung have left their anchorage and are now lying further upstream opposite the Lion Forts.

It is presumed that this move presages a bombardment of the Chinese positions on the Lotien-Kating front.—Trans-Ocean.

POOTUNG THREAT

Preparations For A Landing

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese military are obviously intending to land Japanese troops at Pootung and Nanwei. Such an intention was revealed by the fact that two Japanese destroyers were seen yesterday towing a floating wharf, 1,000 feet long, in the direction of the Pootung water front. The Chinese defence forces are preparing to challenge attempt at landing.—Hua Nan.

JAPANESE SHIPS HARASSED

Shanghai, To-day.

Except for brief appearances of Chinese planes, which harassed the Japanese warships in harbour, the night passed quietly and morning came without the usual aerial activity or gunfire.—Reuter.

PLANES OVER FUKIEN

Foochow, To-day.

It is reported that following the departure of the Japanese Consul in Amoy and his staff on Saturday, two Japanese planes were scouting over Foochow and Amoy yesterday, but no bombs were dropped.—Our Own Correspondent.

HEAVY FIGHTING

Japanese Offensive In Hongkew

Shanghai, To-day.

All attempts of the Japanese Army to effect a junction with the Japanese marines in Shanghai have been foiled.

A large number of Japanese reinforcements just arriving in Shanghai have completed concentration in the Hongkew area. They simultaneously launched offensives against the Chinese position at North Szechuen Road and Chun Kung Road in Yangtsepoo to-day but have made no advance in face of stiff Chinese resistance.—Hua Nan News.

HUGE FIRES IN CHAPEI

Chinese Air Raids This Morning

Shanghai, To-day.

Huge fires set going by Japanese incendiary bombs in Chapei yesterday are still raging this morning. It is the first time that Chapei has received a serious taste of war misery since the commencement of hostilities.

In retaliation for the Japanese air attacks on Nantao and Chapei, a squadron of Chinese planes systematically raided the Japanese positions in Hongkew and Yangtsepoo and Japanese warships lying in the Whampoo River and at Woosung early this morning.—Hua Nan.

LARGE NANKING REINFORCEMENT

New Troops Placed In "Hot" Sectors

It is reported that troops on all the Chinese lines in the Woosung-Shanghai areas have been relieved. Large reinforcements arrived from Nanking have been despatched to the fronts from Woosung to Liuhoo, while those formerly in this area have been sent to reinforce those in the quieter sector in the Shanghai area.—Our Own Correspondent.

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BRITAIN'S NONSTOP GOVERNMENT

Substantially the same Government has been in power in Great Britain for six years, yet there are no signs that the country is in the mood to withdraw its support. Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, pointed the other day to the recent by-elections. It happened that in the seven weeks beginning on June 1 there were an unusual number of by-elections—no fewer than twelve. In eleven of these the Government won outright, and the twelfth was won by an independent Conservative who announced his readiness to support the Government. The Labour and Liberal polls have been smaller than in the last general election, and though the Conservative totals are also reduced, they have been sufficient to ensure easy victory.

It has been a very rare thing in British politics that a government which has been in power for six years should continue to face elections with confidence. It is clear, then, that there are some exceptional factors at work which are serving to strengthen the National Government. One is tempted to conclude that there is more reality in the claims of the Government to be "national" than is admitted by the Opposition. Certainly the weakness in the personnel of both the Oppositions has arisen from the fact that so many of their former leaders have been absorbed in the Ministry. On the other hand, if the spirit of the Opposition had been strong enough, surely by this time it would have developed new leaders.

The decline of the Liberal Party is due to the fact that both the other parties have been in a certain degree "Liberalised." Its thunder has been stolen; its outlook has been distributed through all the groups; the British nation as a whole has accepted so much that was distinctive of Liberalism that its *raison d'être* as a separate force has ceased to be urgent. Therefore, there are Liberals on the Conservative side, and Liberals on the Labour side; they have provided a "leaven for the one, a moderating influence for the other."

Under that influence, the official Labour Party has ceased to be extreme Left wing. It is in the main moderate, not wishing

to press its Socialist doctrines to the uttermost, and more afraid of the Revolutionary Socialists on its left than of the ministerialists on the opposite benches. The small groups of red-hot Socialists are unable to direct the Labour Party, which believes, rightly or wrongly, that the country is in no mood for revolutionary politics. The result is that that party has no compelling distinctive programme of its own to put before the country.

The fact is that domestic disputes have shrunk in importance compared with the vaster dispute between the democracies and the dictatorships. The conflict between the doctrines of the free state and the totalitarian state overshadows everything else. The vast majority of members of all parties in Britain are on the side of democracy, and as long as that controversy persists in Europe there is little disposition to press the differences of party beyond a certain point.

As long as Labour feels compelled, as it does, to support the main policies of the National Government, the country can see no reason for displacing that Government. The British Ministry to-day is strong, not so much because its qualities endear it to the electorate as because the country feels it cannot afford dissension. The stolidity with which Britain supports or tolerates its National Government is the British reply to the entrenchment of the dictatorships.

"Not in the League"

Pressure by Britain upon Japan has not been stronger, Mr. Anthony Eden hinted in answer to a question in the House of Commons recently, because neither the United States nor Japan is a member of the League of Nations. The explanation is not altogether persuasive.

Americans might well recognise that nations intent on establishing international law in the place of international war might have found their task easier had the United States assumed obligations in the international sphere commensurate with its position. But Mr. Eden is stating the case incompletely if, as reported, he attributes British hesitancy in the present crisis to reluctance on the part of the United States to join in strong pressure for peace in the Far East.

The League of Nations' weakness was first indicated when Manchuria fell prey to the Japanese military. While withholding membership in the League, the United States believes that at that time she at least displayed a positive interest in Chinese territorial integrity and the preservation of the "open door" which the British Government, as represented by Sir John Simon in the post now occupied by Mr. Eden, refused to support. If the decline of the League began then, as many contend, then the United States may have been a better champion of the League, though for reasons of self-interest, than was the British Government.

Now, apparently for convenience of her version of events during the time of the Manchurian hack, the American policy has been somewhat reluctant, though clear enough in some respects, to offer Great Britain an invitation not necessary to "take the initiative" but to provide positive co-operation in preparing the force of law against the force of the main moderate, not wishing

JAPAN'S DISAPPROVAL OF SINO-SOVIET PACT

Moscow Authorities Decline To Make Comment

AN ARRANGEMENT FOR MILITARY SUPPLIES?

Shanghai, To-day.

Conclusion of the Sino-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact has thrown Japanese quarters into a flutter, as they suspect that the new treaty must contain secret military clauses.

The treaty delivers a knock-out blow to the Japanese hope to establish a Sino-Japanese front against the Communists, which, before the present crisis developed, was one of the main Japanese demands for settlement of outstanding issues between Japan and China.

It is believed that the Pact will give the Japanese a peg on which to hang the claim to be the defenders of Chinese civilisation against the Communists.

It is also considered a definite indication that China will side with the anti-Fascist bloc.

A Chinese spokesman, interviewed by Reuter in Shanghai yesterday, said that the Sino-Soviet Pact was the "natural answer to Japanese aggression."

"SECRET CLAUSES"

It is believed that if any secret clauses are attached to the Pact, they are not, on the Russian side, for actual military support in the field against Japan but rather for help in the way of military supplies.—Reuter.

TEXT PUBLISHED IN MOSCOW

Without Comment

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet Foreign Office has published the text of the new Sino-Soviet Pact without comment as regards possible aid to China.

All officials approached by Reuter have refused to comment on the Treaty, but competent observers believe that the Red Army will act only in the event of attack on Outer Mongolia, with which the Soviet is bound by a pact of mutual assistance.

SOVIET FAR EAST ARMY

Soviet circles hail the new Pact with China as another step in the cause of peace, and believe that Chinese objections to the Soviet-Mongolian Treaty have been removed.

The Soviet Union maintains a special army permanently stationed in the Far East and estimated to consist of between 400,000 and 500,000 men.

Whether any additional troops and equipment have been sent in the past few days is not known here.—Reuter.

TOKYO COMMENT

Rejects Nanking's Interpretations

Tokyo, To-day.

Circles closely connected with the Foreign Office regard the Sino-Soviet Pact as indicating a victory for the anti-Japanese elements within the Nanking Government.

The same sources declare that Japan will see herself obliged to reject the interpretation of the pact given by Nanking.

This rejection is particularly emphatic in regard to the passage in the Chinese declaration on the pact that speaks of the agreement being designed as a basis for a collective security system for Eastern Asia.

BASQUE TROOPS SURRENDER

London, Yesterday.

The remainder of the Basque Government troops in Santander have surrendered to the Nationalists, who are now rounding up the militia in the hills surrounding the capital.

The Government claim that their troops are now within artillery range of Saragossa, is denied by Nationalist headquarters.—Reuter.

Britain Expresses Sympathy With U.S.

London, Yesterday.

The British Government has sent message to the United States Government expressing the deep regret with which it has learned of the death of Mr. Andrew Mellon, whose services to the cause of Anglo-American friendship are gratefully remembered.—British Wireless.

O'Neill Recovered



Eugene O'Neill, noted American author, and winner of the 1936 Nobel prize for letters, is shown recuperating from a recent illness at Lafayette, Cal. O'Neill will make his permanent home in the historic San Ramon Valley.

Duke And Duchess Of Windsor

Budapest, Yesterday.

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor, it is stated here, will arrive at Pronay Castle, on the north Hungarian frontier, on September 8.

It is added that the Duke, who will entertain a party of about forty guests, has rented the Castle for three week-ends, and that a special aerodrome has been prepared for the Duke's private aeroplane.

The Hungarian national stud farm will place a thoroughbred at the Duke's disposal for hunting, and according to the papers, a special Tzigane band from Cheb, in Czecho-Slovakia, will provide music for dancing.—Trans-Ocean.

Adm. Horthy To Visit Berlin

Berlin, Yesterday.

The Hungarian Regent, Admiral Horthy, will shortly pay a private visit to Germany, it is stated here.

Admiral Horthy, who is now staying at an Austrian spa, the former summer residence of the Emperor Francis Joseph, will after finishing his cure, spend a few days in Germany.

The private nature of the Regent's stay is emphasised and it is added that he will not have any conversations of a political character.—Trans-Ocean.

New Minister To China

Prague, Yesterday.

The President of the Czecho-Slovakian Republic has appointed Mr. Jan Seba to be Minister to China as from September 1st.

This decision formally closes a chapter which six months ago caused great international interest for Mr. Seba is the author of the book, "Russia and Little Entente."—Trans-Ocean.

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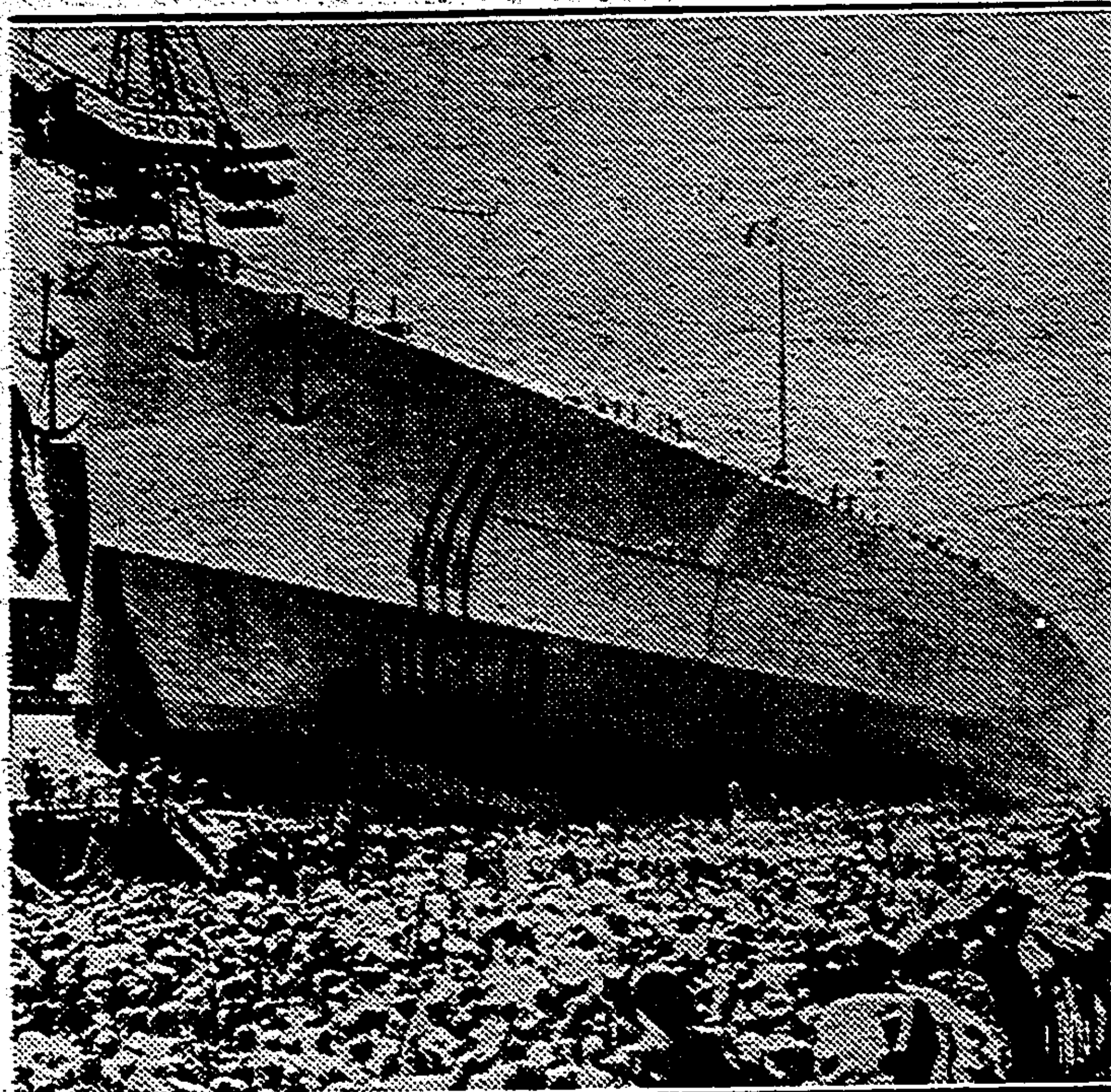
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Heralds Japanese Preparations For Attack

Tientsin, To-day.

That a major Japanese offensive south-west of the Tientsin-Peiping Railway is pending in conjunction with operations in Shantung is indicated by extensive preparations at Japanese headquarters in Tientsin.

Japanese battalions are arriving uninterrupted and the streets of Tientsin are blocked by men and transport.

Even the foreign areas are passed by the marching columns.

Japanese military headquarters state that the first objective of the offensive will be an attack on the Chinese concentrated between the Peiping-Hankow and Tientsin-Pukow Railways.

The Chinese forces, who have been attacking with consistent success in this region, owing to their superiority in numbers, say the Japanese, "are endangering the Tientsin-Peiping Railway."—Trans-Ocean.

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Many Troops Isolated In Flank Attacks

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Chinese troops have broken the Japanese line along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway in several places,

isolating the Japanese troops in several groups, according to military information received here to-day.

One Japanese detachment from the Chinghai area, about 30 miles southwest of Tientsin, in an attempt to attack the Chinese rear at Ma-chang, found itself isolated from the main force by a Chinese flanking attack. The Chinese promptly surrounded the Japanese and annihilated the whole column.—Central News.

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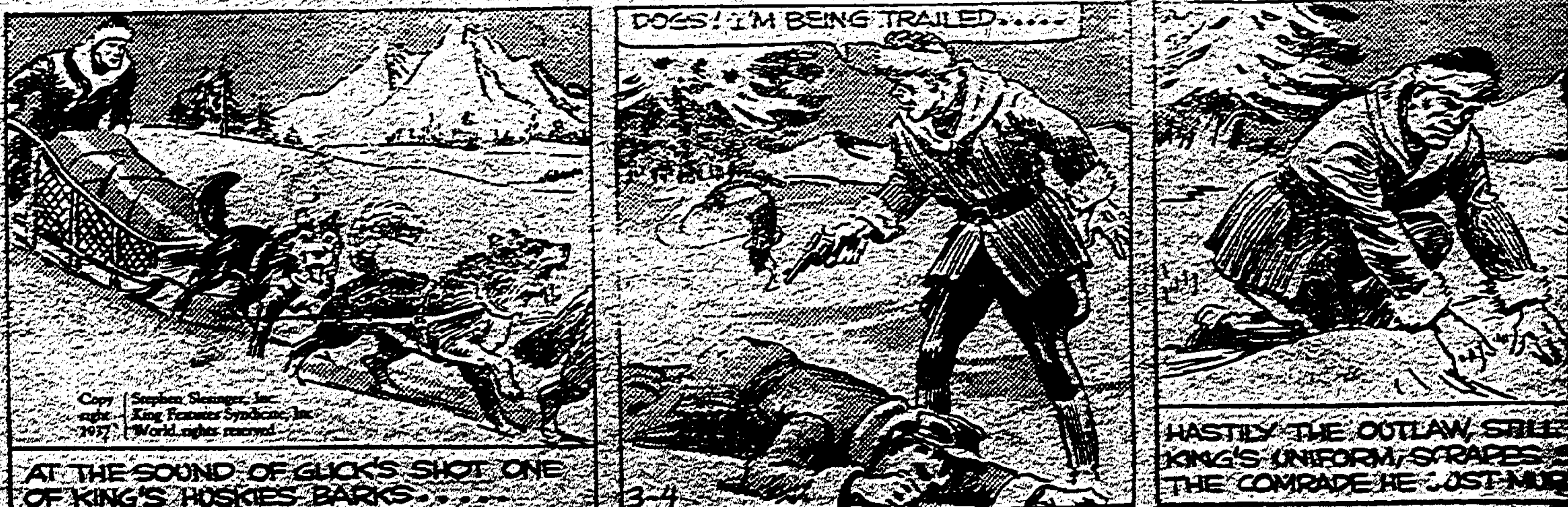
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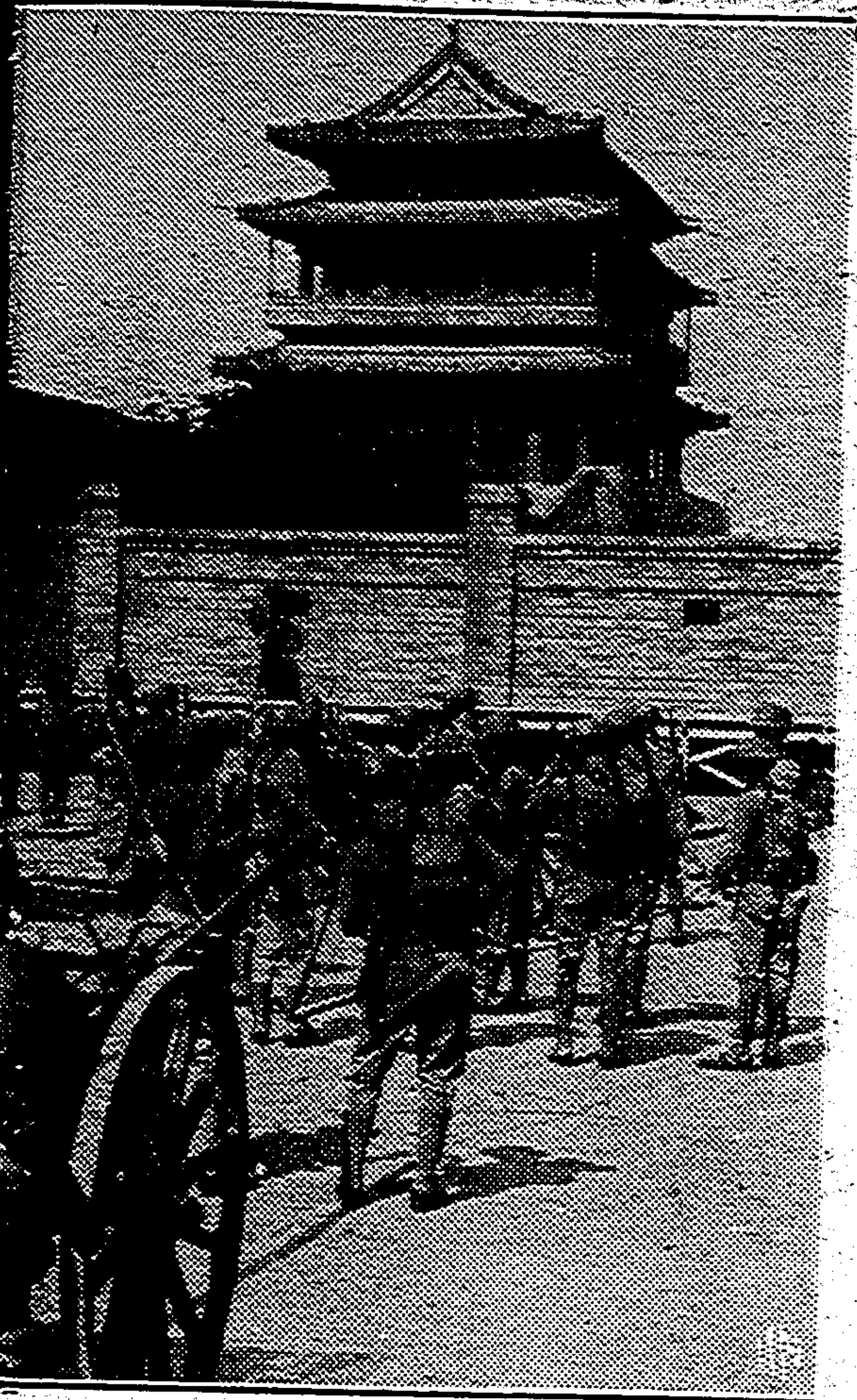
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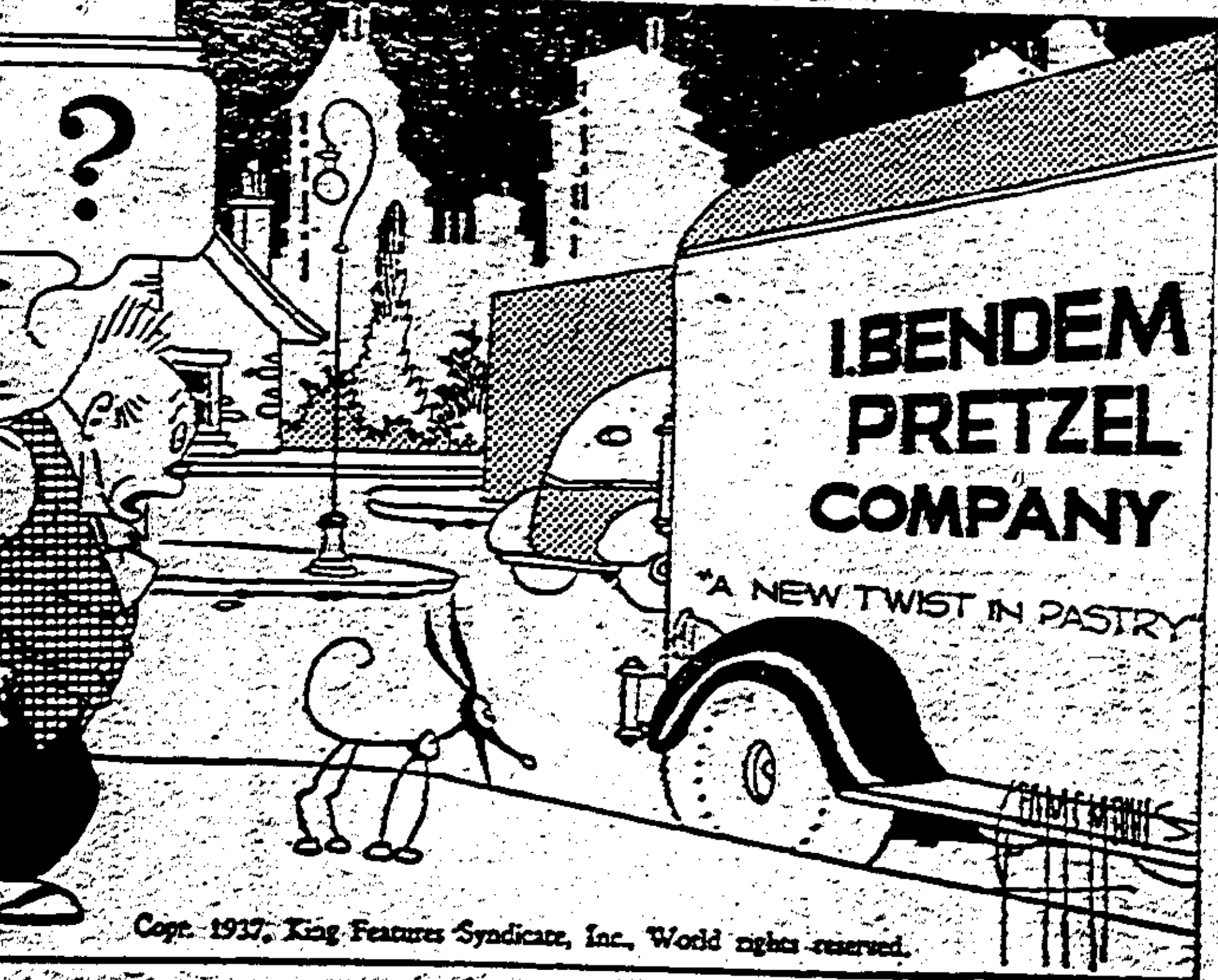
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—Central News.

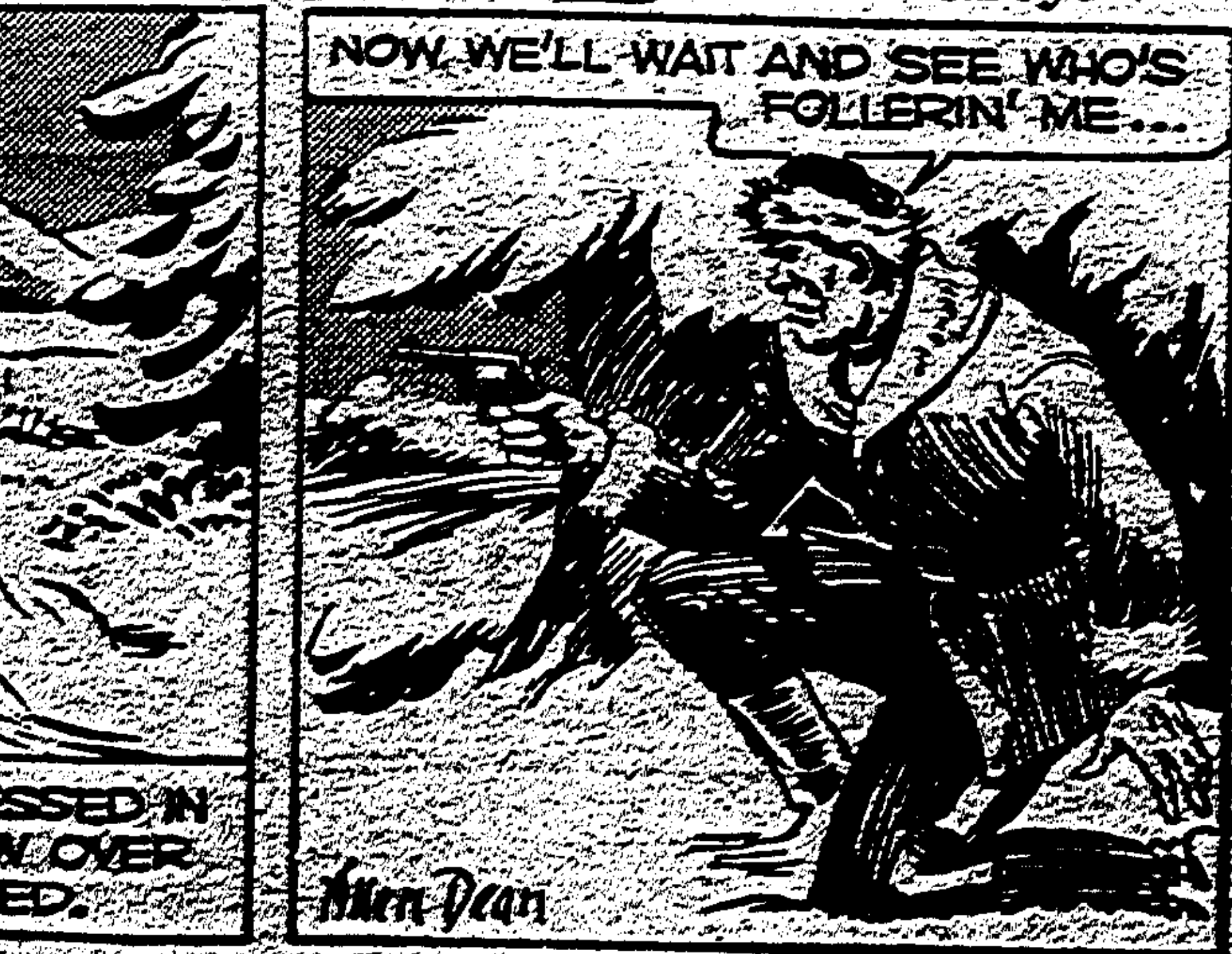
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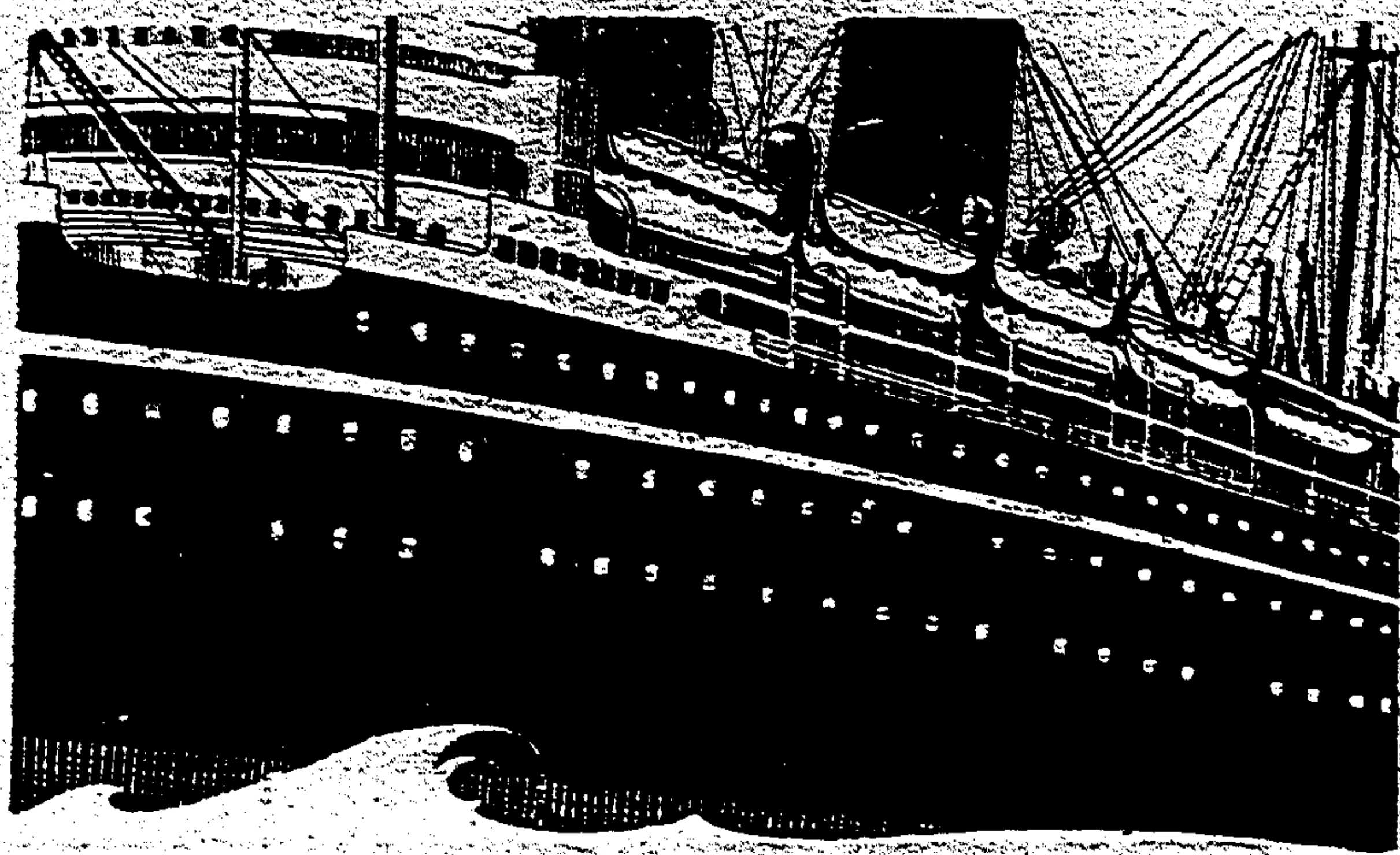
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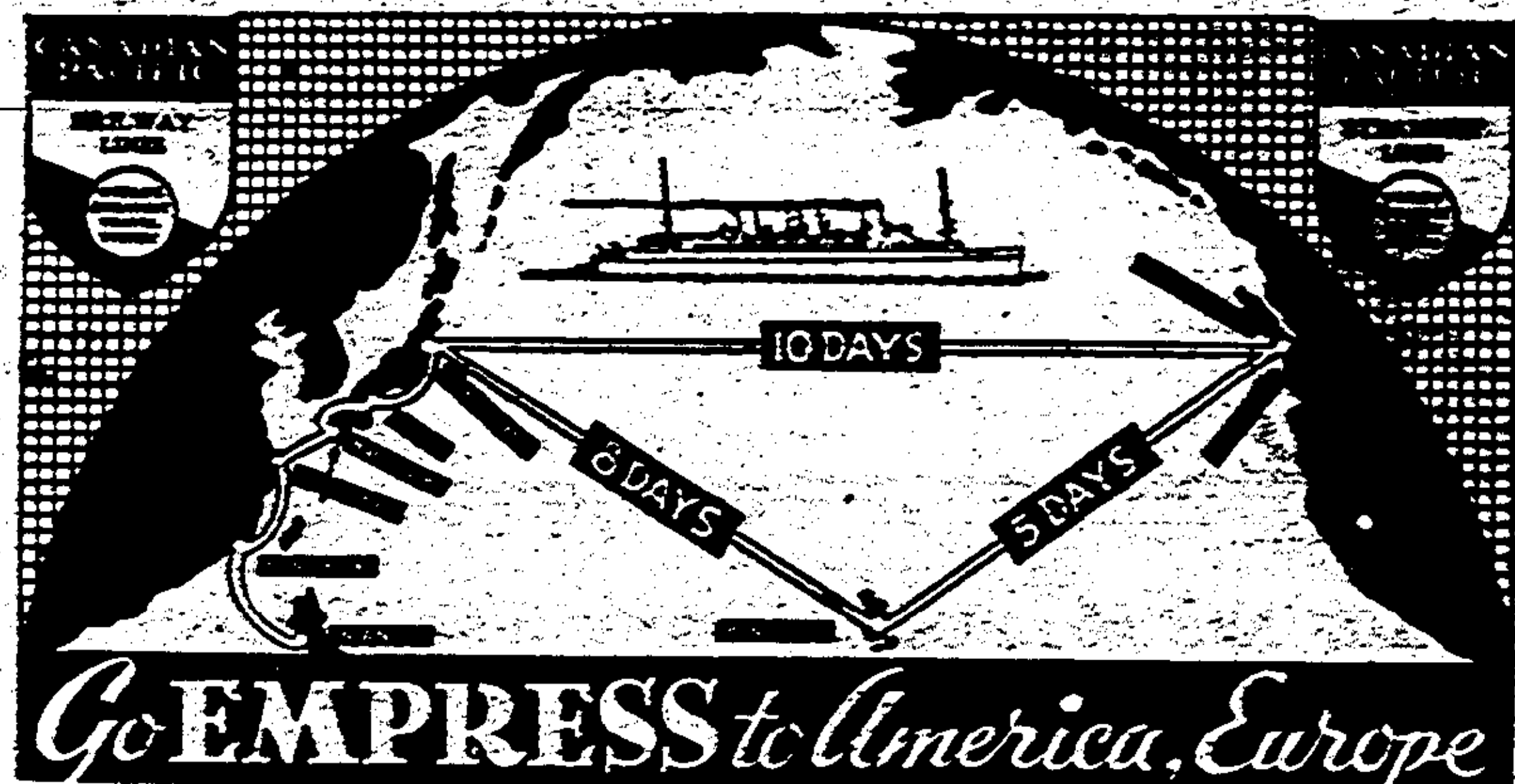
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Berlin, Yesterday.
A report published in the London "News Chronicle" that Herr Hitler, together with other leading Nazi personalities, would on the occasion of the Nazi Congress at Nuremberg, launch an appeal for foundation of a united German Church, is stated in well-informed circles to be entirely without foundation.

The paper's report was, it is thought here, probably connected with the recent meeting in Berlin of representatives of various groups of "German Christians," who passed a resolution in favour of a general religious truce.

"CHURCH UNION"

It is pointed out, however, that adherents of the resolution have themselves not acted conformally with it.

It is also pointed out that the Thuringian, Wurtembergian and some north German groups of "German Christians" have combined to form a "National Church Union" in order to prevent further dissensions within their respective regions.

Informed quarters stress, however, that these events in no way justify the London paper's report.
—Trans-Ocean.

PARK OF THE THREE NATIONS

Bilbao, To-day.
August 29 will be celebrated as the day when Germany, Italy and Portugal recognised the Nationalist Government, says an announcement over Radio Espana.

In the presence of the Ambassadors of the three countries a memorial tablet will be unveiled in the Bilbao Park, which is to be renamed the "Park of the Three Nations."—Trans-Ocean.

PARIS EXHIBITION TO CONTINUE

Paris, To-day.
There is some possibility of the Paris World Exhibition being prolonged for some time.

Negotiations have been going on between the Ministries concerned and the management of the Exhibition.

Now it is stated that the final decision rests with the Council of Ministers, which is meeting on Tuesday to discuss the matter.

No doubt exists in Exhibition circles, however, that the Government will assent to prolonging of the Fair.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate of the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2%.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 19 1/4 and "forward" at 19 3/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at \$-U.S. \$4.9675 and the New York on London cross-rate at \$-U.S. \$4.96 11/16.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:

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Fatal Fall Into Ship's Hold

The body of Lam Pui was removed to the public mortuary yesterday morning. Deceased had, on Saturday morning, gone on board the s.s. Yat Shing to look for work. He accidentally fell into the hold of the ship. With the assistance of a friend, he was taken ashore in a sampan and went home. The only injuries apparent then were cuts to his face. At nine o'clock yesterday morning he became suddenly ill and died an hour later.

Car Crashes Into Rock

Lau Hi-lit, assistant manager of the Majestic Theatre, reports that while driving car No. 447 in Castle Peak Road towards Kowloon at 1.30 p.m. yesterday, he took a corner near the P.W.D. depot too fast, ran off the road and collided with a rock.

There were four women in the car, which was badly damaged, and the occupants received injuries. They were treated at the Un Loong Dispensary and one was advised to go to Hospital.

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Falling from a ladder while cleaning windows at No. 64, Robinson Road, Tung Ping-ping, aged 24, received injuries to his face and arms and was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital.

STORM IN BELGIAN BANK TEA CUP

Brussels, Yesterday.
It is officially announced that the Cabinet, after taking cognisance of the report of the Minister of Finance concerning administration of the National Bank of Belgium, unanimously decided that no sanctions should be taken against the directors, whose conduct has been perfectly legitimate.

It will be recalled that the question had arisen of distribution of the salary of the Premier, M. Paul van Zeeland, in his former capacity as Vice-Governor of the National Bank.

M. van Zeeland resigned this post on his appointment as Premier on April 1, 1935, but the resignation was not accepted by the managing board of the Bank until April 15, 1937.

The Governor and directors of the Bank then proceeded to divide the salary due to M. van Zeeland but refused by him, among themselves conformably with the Bank's statutes.—Trans-Ocean.

Franco's Envoy At Vatican

Rome, Yesterday.
The new charge d'affaires of the Spanish Nationalist Government to the Holy See, Marques Pablo de Aycinena, presented his credentials to the Vatican Secretary of State, Cardinal Pacelli, to-day.

The Marques, who has been for many years in the Spanish diplomatic service, was about twenty years ago secretary of the Spanish Embassy at the Vatican.

The charge d'affaires voiced the hope that this would be the first step towards formal recognition of General Franco by the Vatican.—Trans-Ocean.

TICKLISH ISSUE FOR LEAGUE IN SEPTEMBER

Geneva, Yesterday.
Regarding the desire expressed by the Valencia Government that an extraordinary meeting of the League of Nations Council should meet for discussion of the Spanish problem, the President of the Council has now declared that such a meeting is not considered necessary.

Therefore the Spanish question, declare well-informed circles, will be discussed only at the ordinary session of the Council which begins on September 10.

In this connection, interested circles are also discussing the question of re-election of Spain, which since 1928 has held a semi-permanent seat on the League Council.

BRITISH UNCERTAINTY

The attitude of the British Government, which, like other Powers, is said to be in touch with the Geneva representative of the Franco Government, is still uncertain.

Since new elections of Council members are taking place only at the end of the session, it is expected that on September 10 the Council, according to alphabetical order, will meet under the Presidency of the representative of the Valencia Government.—Trans-Ocean.

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Mrs. Eleonor Holm-Jarrett, above, beautiful professional swimmer and cabaret entertainer and former holder of many women's aquatic world records, who caused a major sensation by being sent back to America as a disciplinary measure prior to the Berlin Olympiad, has entered a suit for divorce against her husband, her grounds being cruelty.—"I have not seen Charlie for the past 18 months," she stated to reporters.

BEN JOHNSON AGAIN IN LIMELIGHT

Kirkpatrick Lowers Hurdles Mark

Strasbourg, To-day.
Ben Johnson, the American Owens' previous mark by 1-10th of equalled Frank Wykoff's world record time for the 100 Yards sprint when he was clocked at 9 4-10 secs. in the International Meeting held here.

At Paris on August 22, Ben Johnson lowered the world record for the 100 Metres covered the distance in 10.2-10 secs. to beat Jesse Owens' previous mark by 1-10th of a second.

At the same meeting yesterday, Leroy Kirkpatrick, of the United States, shattered Forrest Towns' world mark for the 110 Metres High Hurdles, clocking 13 8-10 secs., to beat the former mark by 3-10 secs.

Reuter adds, however, that both Johnson's mark for the 100 Metres and Kirkpatrick's time for the 110 Metres High Hurdles are not likely to be recognised as both ran with following winds.—Reuter.

JOHNNY GOODMAN WINS AMERICAN AMATEUR TITLE

Portland, Oregon, August 28.
In the final of the American Amateur Golf Championship, Johnny Goodman, former American Open champion, beat Ray Wilcox, of Poughkeepsie, New York, to-day by two up at the end of 36 holes.—Reuter.

SATURDAY'S INTERVAL SCORES

London, Yesterday.
The following were the tea interval scores in the first class cricket matches which commenced to-day:
Surrey: 307 for 4 v Middlesex at Lord's.
Hampshire: 93 v Yorkshire: 70 for 3 at Bournemouth.
Worcesters: 171 v Essex: 70 for 1 at Clacton.
Sussex: 151 v New Zealanders: 58 for 1 at Hove.
Kent: 294 v Derby at Folkestone.
Somerset: 410 for 7 v Lancashire at Taunton.
Gloucester: 297 for 1 v Notts at Bristol.
Warwick: 260 for 6 v Leicester at Oakham.
—Reuter.

U.S. WOMEN REACH THE FINAL

AMERICAN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

Brookline, Massachusetts, To-day.
In the semi-finals of the United States Women's Lawn Tennis Championships, American partnerships obtained a clean sweep.

Miss Alice Marble and Mrs. Fabryan, U.S. Wightman Cup pair, beat Katherine Stammers and Freda James (Great Britain) former Wimbledon champions, by 6-3, 7-5, while Miss Caroline Babcock and Mrs. Van Ryn, another U.S. Wightman Cup pair, beat Miss E. M. Dearman and Miss Joan Ingram (Great Britain) 6-3, 8-7, 6-2.—Reuter.

Mamak Tournament Eclipsed By United Hockey Contest

AN UNSATISFACTORY STATE OF AFFAIRS

(By "Referee")

With August drawing to a close, the eyes of all sportsmen are turning with interest to the Winter sports programme. Annual meetings have been the order of the day and most clubs and associations have now, more or less, decided upon their policies.

After some anxious periods, hockey seems to be settling down to some semblance of order. One question which had been vexing the authorities of the Association was that of tournaments and with them the competition for trophies.

The United Hockey Tournament, despite the fact that many teams competing in it were either directly or indirectly affiliated to the Hong Kong Hockey Association, which is in turn under the jurisdiction of the English Association, made no bones about playing for trophies, which is strictly barred by the parent body.

At a recent meeting of the Hong Kong Hockey Association the question of that body organising a tournament was mooted and it was then pointed out that in the Mamak and the United Tournaments, and the other competitions, organised by the Association, hockey enthusiasts were adequately catered for, and it was decided that the two major tournaments should be carried on as before under their own management and with the Association to be referred to in any case of doubt.

United Tournament Secretary's Statement

The question then instantly arose: Would the United Tournament officials, who had hitherto revealed no particular desire to affiliate and who appeared to be getting along quite happily in their own way and under their own rules, agree to this?

On the face of it this did not seem likely. Strongest opposition to the trophy question raised came from representatives of the Army and Navy, who revealed rather decided inconsistency in view of the fact that the majority of teams competing in the United Tournament were from the Services.

All seems to be working out amicably, however, as an unofficial statement issued recently by the Hon. Secretary of the United Hockey Tournament indicated that there was a very strong possibility that this tournament would affiliate with the Association and thus solve a great many difficulties.

The Allocation of All Hockey Teams

In informed hockey circles, therefore, it is believed that the Association will continue, as hitherto, to organise international and other competitions, the United Tournament will cater for powerful civilian clubs such as C.B.A., Radio and K.I.T.C., Battalion teams from the Army, and cruisers from the Navy, while the Mamak Tournament will take care of small civilian clubs and small units from both Services. All matters which the governing bodies of the latter two organisations feel themselves incompetent to deal with will then be referred to the parent body for settlement.

This may seem to be a very satisfactory arrangement from every point of view, but it will be very surprising if supporters of the Mamak Tournament accept it without a certain amount of comment.



Mamak Tournament Started Ball Rolling

There is little doubt that the present interest in hockey, and the extraordinary manner in which it has flourished in recent years, is directly attributable to the Mamak Tournament. Six years ago, when it was formed by a small band of enthusiasts, the game locally, was in its infancy. Since then it has grown from strength to strength, despite many trials and tribulations, and it can safely be stated that the stimulation provided by the Mamak Tournament was directly responsible for the formation of the Association and the introduction of the various representative games which have been the result.

It is known that strong feeling exists among the more ardent supporters of the competition. It appears that the Mamak Tournament is being given very little consideration. The United Tournament, the most recent hockey competition in the Colony, having only come into existence last season, will cater for all senior clubs, while the Mamak Tournament, after all that it has done for the game, will merely keep the weaker teams occupied. In effect, become the junior organisation!

Most Unsatisfactory State of Affairs

This appears to be a most unsatisfactory state of affairs. The Mamak Tournament has undoubtedly made some bloomers and there have been several very unpleasant incidents, but thinking people will agree that any pioneer organisation must travel the "thorny" path and profit by experience before all can be expected to run smoothly.

If clubs feel that this tournament has been run inefficiently they are entitled to be represented at the annual meeting, which is being held this afternoon, air their views, and, if necessary, elect officials who in their opinion would be more likely to make a better job of it. In any case, in common fairness, they should bring their complaints into the open and by so doing give the tournament which has, to all intents and purposes, given them their hockey, an opportunity to rectify past errors.

BOYS' AMATEUR GOLF TITLE RESULT

Edinburgh, August 28.

Playing over the Bruntfield Links in the Boys' Amateur Golf Championship final, sixteen-year-old Ian Roberts from Murraysfield, beat J. Stewart, 14½, an engineer's apprentice from Auchendry, by eight up and seven to play.—Reuter.

Sports Chatter

(By "REFEREE")

Saints' Nursery Team

OWING to Club de Recreio withdrawing from competitive football, there will be a number of Portuguese lads who will be without a team this season and who cannot find a place in other elevens. It is understood that St. Joseph's, through the efforts of D. Leonard and A. Hussain, are forming a "nursery" team, for which friendly matches will be arranged. Among the youngsters who will be in the team, are Wilkinson, Thirwell, Pereira, Souza, J. Fernandes, P. Castro and S. Bux.

Move To Opposite Wing

TANG KWONG-SUM, the Athletic and Chinese representative, right-winger, will be seen on the left-wing this season in order to accommodate Chan Tse-on in the former position.

Kwok Convalescing Slowly

KWOK CHUNG-HANG, the breast-stroke swimmer, has improved slightly and has been able to get up during the past few days. He is, however, still very weak.

T. C. Lee Returning

T. C. LEE, prominent University badminton and tennis player, is expected to return to the Colony during the week-end from Singapore, where he has been spending his summer vacation.

Badminton Practice

P. E. TAN, Captain of the University badminton "A" team, has already commenced practice for the coming season.

New Local Cricketer

E. R. ELLIS, a right hand medium-fast bowler, arrived in the Colony recently and hopes to play cricket during the coming season. He has played with success for the Singapore Recreation Club and the Penang Recreation Club.

Chip Off The Old Block

A. EL ARCULLI junr., son of the I. R. C. cricket veteran, showed considerable promise last season for La Salle College. Unlike his father, he bowls right-handed and it is considered quite probable that he will be turning out for the I. R. C. juniors next season.



With the reported retirement of Miss Wilhelmina Mastenbroek, above, who won two Olympic titles and who is the present holder of the women's 400 Metres back-stroke world record, the swimming world has lost one of its finest performers. An unknown before the 1936 Olympiad, she startled the world by beating America's best in sprint events.

C.R.C. Looking For Coach

ALTHOUGH the C. R. C. have not entered a team in the Cricket League they hope to continue with the friendly matches which were an enjoyable feature of the last cricket season. I understand that they would appreciate the services of a coach.

Good Cueist

F. X. SILVA, a keen soccer enthusiast in Macao, who is at present in the Colony, is also a fine cueist. He fully extended A. J. Osmund some years ago.

Not Changing

THOUGH approached by Club de Recreio, I understand that George Souza will still be playing for the Craigengower Cricket Club this season.

CHUNG SHING CHARITY GALA CONCLUDING

The Chung Shing Benevolent Society's three day swimming gala in aid of Chinese refugees in the War Zone will come to a conclusion tonight at their West Point Swimming Pavilion, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

GREAT AT EIGHTEEN John Bromwich Very Colourful

IN an analysis of John Bromwich's game as seen by a writer in "American Lawn Tennis," high tribute is paid to his skill and possibilities.

"Whenever John Bromwich is on the courts at Forest Hills there is a buzz of conversation and argument as to just what he is and how he hits the ball.

"Some say he is ambidextrous, others that he is right-handed, still others that he is left-handed; some say his two-fisted shot is a forehand, others a backhand.

"In delivering his two-fisted shot Bromwich keeps his left hand in its accustomed place on the racket and adds the right hand to it, practically interlocking the two—like a golfer.

"Although it looks like a two-fisted backhand, the tremendous power he gets into the stroke undoubtedly comes from his right arm and wrist. The backswing is short, as is the follow-through, but there is great punch in the shot.

"Bromwich not only has steadiness, but also accuracy and variety of depth. He is undoubtedly a great player at eighteen, as well as a very colourful one."

Bromwich has shown on the tour that he has it in him to rise to the big occasion.

WOODERSON'S NEW WORLD RECORD FOR THE MILE

Cunningham's Time Falls By 2-10 Secs.

London, August 28.

At Melspur Park S. C. Wooderson of Blackheath Harriers, broke the world's mile record, covering the distance in 4 mins. 6.6 secs., breaking the record of the American runner, Glen Cunningham, by two tenths of a second.

The bespectacled Wooderson had the assistance, in a special handicap race, of Britain's leading mile runners.

Wooderson's record was watched by several thousand people. His intermediate times were:

First quarter, 58.6 secs., second quarter, 2 mins. 2.6 secs. and third quarter, 3 mins. 7.2 secs.

The handicap was so well framed that Wooderson just failed to catch the limit man.—Reuter.

NEW WORLD'S MARK FOR 100 YDS. BACKSTROKE

Honolulu, To-day.

Adolph Kiefer yesterday set a world record in the long-course 100 yards back stroke of 60-6/10 seconds.

The previous mark, held by Warren Keolohas with 65-6/10, was established in 1924.—Reuter.

OCH, WHAT DE YE THINK O' THIS, WHATEFFER?

If it were a question of nationality only, there might be a spot of bother down at Torquay over transfer of the Welsh outside right, M. Morgan, to Plymouth Argyle. Torquay got a big fee for him, but one of the conditions of the transfer was that Torquay should have Plymouth's Scottish outside right, J. Coudie.

Here's the puzzle: Would Torquay rather have a Scotsman and a lot of money, or do Plymouth think a Welshman is worth having in exchange for all that money and a Scotsman? Of course, it's all a matter of football, and as both men are happy and each club thinks it has a bargain who's to worry?

WESLEY MAY GO TO BRADFORD

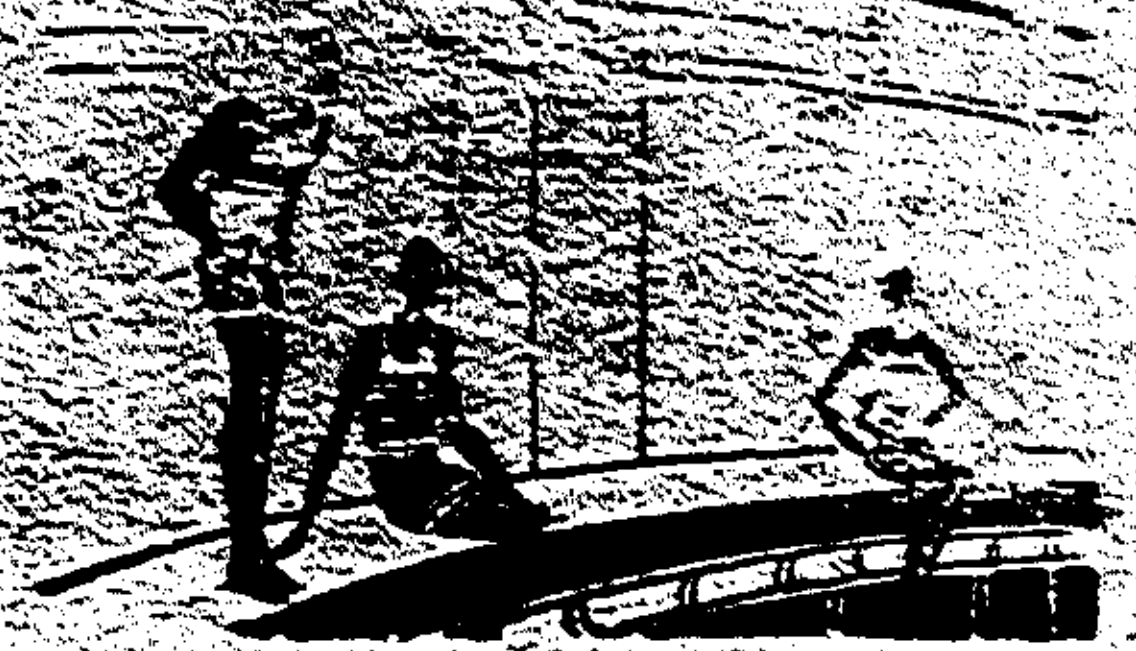
There might be something doing between Bradford and Notts Forest regarding Wesley, the Yorkshiremen's inside forward. A smouldering fancy of last season has been rekindled in the Foresters.

QUEEN'S PARK AFTER TELFORD

Queen's Park Rangers are keeping a keen eye on Telford, centre half-back of Arthurlie. So also are Partick Thistle. He is rated as one of the best of Scotland's junior pivots.

COOPER WINS CLUB TITLE

A. A. Cooper, winner of the A.A.A. title for the past five years, won the Woodford Green A.C. two-mile walking championship at Leyton on 14th 27th.



MAK WAI MING AGAIN WINS HARBOUR RACE

South China Hold Annual Event

The annual cross-harbour race held by the South China Athletic Association was won yesterday by Mak Wai-ming, winner of last year's open harbour swim, in the good time of 19 min. 20 sec. He was followed by Norman Lee, who lost by about seven yards.

Twenty-eight swimmers started and all finished. The race began 100 yards from Channel Rocks, the scheduled starting place.

Scheduled to start at 2.30 p.m. the race did not begin until 4.20 p.m. At 2.30 a strong current was running from Lyemun, but had abated to a great extent by 4.30.

RESULTS

1. Mak Wai-ming, (19 min. 20 sec.).
2. Norman Lee, (20).
3. Chan Hoi-tung, (23.24).
4. Kon Kay-foon, (24.37).
5. Chan Sui-kut, (25.24).

The remainder finished in the following order:—Cheung Lum-cho, Stanley Lee, Chan Sai-sek, Chin Tse-kuen, Ngai Hok-chai, Ng Leung-po, Ng Ying-chung, Tong Wing-chun, Lo Cheung-yu, Mok Chung-ting, Lee Wing-san, Lai Cheuk-lam, Man Yu-lum, Ching Koon-yum, Leung Yin-chung, Fong Chung-yu, Luk Chiu-fai, Chan Lim-cheung, Chu Hing-to, Man Yu-kit, Chin Siu-lim, Lee Tsun-man and Ng Wai-kee.

EQUINE SPORTS CLUB HOLD GYMKHANA

Good Sport At Shatin

In preparation for its annual gymkhana in the autumn, the Equine Sports Club yesterday held a practice event at Shatin where many competitors appeared in an interesting programme.

The event had been postponed from the previous week.

Following were the results:

Trotting Race—1, Mr. E. W. Beatham; 2, Mr. J. Drewery.

Jumping Competition—Mr. A. H. Dimmen.

Sword and Ring—1, Mr. C. Karr; 2, Mr. Drewery.

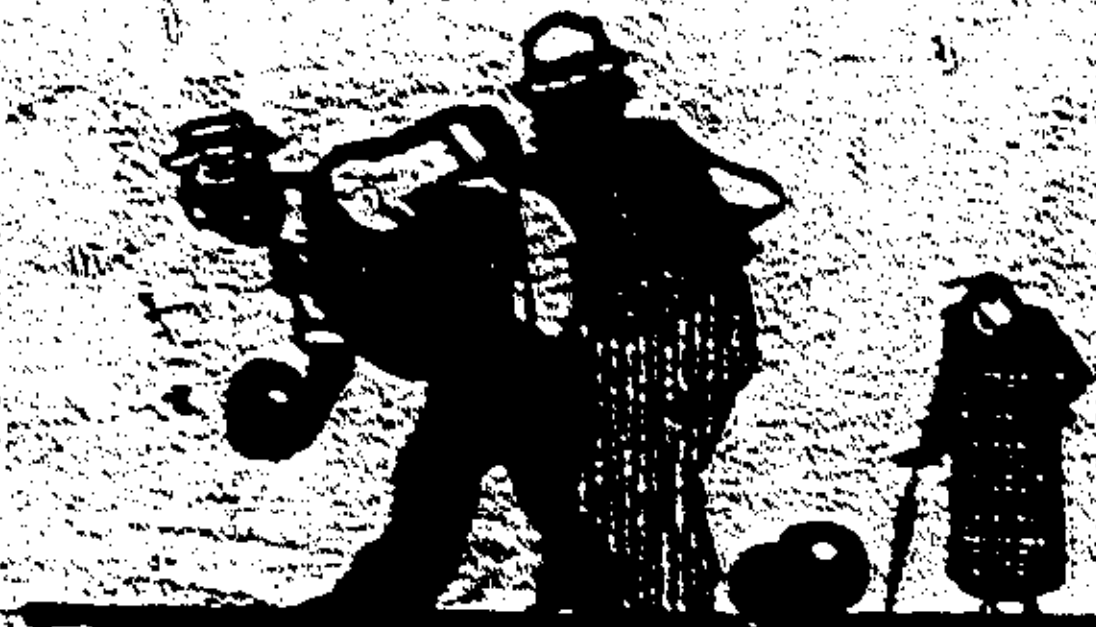
Tent Pegging—1, Mr. Dimmen; 2, Mr. Drewery.

Potato Race—1, Mr. Drewery; 2, Mrs. Franks.

Jumping Relay Race—1, Reds (Mr. Drewery, Mrs. Franks, Mr. Karr, Miss Glover, Mrs. McKelvie); 2, Blues (Messrs. W. Munir, A. Fraser, R. A. de Castro, Basto, J. H. Hoare, E. Hims-worth).

Other competitors who took part were Mr. A. L. Cole and Mr. Norman, the officials being Mr. Hoare (Marshal), Mr. Hims-worth (Starter) and Mr. W. G. Routley (Judge).

Mr. V. V. Teaser, (Stable Manager) was responsible for the field arrangements.



L.R.C. Skipper Not Playing?

I HAVE been told that it is extremely unlikely that A. H. Benjamin, who last season skippered the L.R.C. in the Senior Cricket League, will be playing any cricket at all this season. It is understood that Y. el Arculli, one of the soundest batsmen in the L.R.C., will not be playing cricket regularly during the coming season.

SCOTS' GOLF TEAM FOR THE INTERNATIONALS

The following team has been chosen to represent Scotland in the amateur international golf matches at Portmarnock on September 1 to 3:

J. E. Dawson (Troon), E. D. Hamilton (Ralston), A. Jamieson, jun. (Pollok), H. M'Inally (Irvine Ravenspark), S. L. MacKinlay (Western Gailes), A. F. McLeod (Old Banfurly), W. S. McLeod (Old Banfurly), K. G. Patrick (Stirling), G. B. Peters

(Perenze), G. Roberts (Craigmillar Park), Hector Thomson (Williamwood), and D. S. Wemyss (Turnhouse). H. M. Dickson has been appointed non-playing captain.

Only four members of last year's team have been retained. They are Hamilton, Jamieson, Peters, and Thomson. MacKinlay has been a member of the team before, but the others are all newcomers.

The improvement in the standard



of play in the East is demonstrated by the choice of Wemyss and Roberts. Wemyss this season has many notable feats to his credit, including the winning of the Lothians Championship, and his choice was almost automatic.

H. M'Inally, the miner, has earned his first "cap" by his sterling play in the present Championship. It has been quite a step from an "unknown" into an internationalist in a week.



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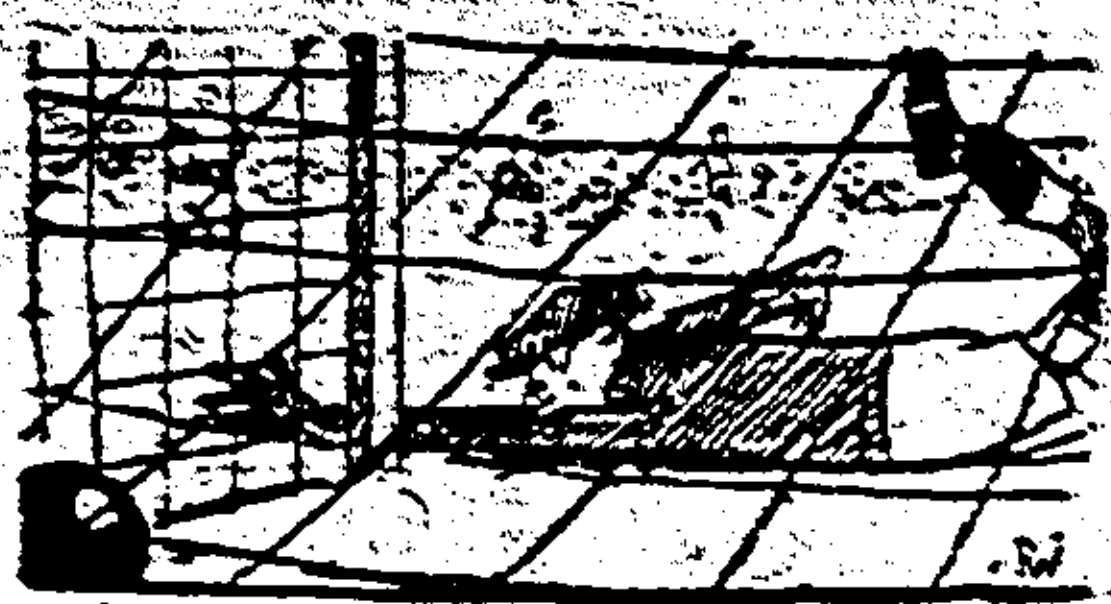
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the following results:

FIRST DIVISION

Bolton	2	Brentford	0
Charlton	1	Leeds	1
Chelsea	6	Liverpool	1
Everton	1	Arsenal	4
H'dersfield	3	Blackpool	1
Leicester	0	Derby	0
Portsmouth	2	West Brom	3
Preston	4	Grimsby	1
Stoke	2	Birmingham	2
Sunderland	3	Middlesbro'	1
Wolves	3	Manchester C.	1

SECOND DIVISION

Aston Villa	2	West Ham	0
Bradford	4	Barnsley	3
Burnley	2	Bury	0
Chesterfield	1	Wednesday	0
Manchester U.	3	Newcastle	0
Norwich	4	Southampton	3
Plymouth	4	Fulham	0
Sheffield U.	2	Notts Forest	1
Stockport	2	Luton T.	1
Swansea	3	Blackburn	2
Tottenham	0	Coventry	0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bristol C.	3	Gillingham	1
Clapton	1	Cardiff	1
Crystal P.	1	Aldershot	1
Mansfield	4	Northampton	1
Newport	2	Exeter	2
Notts Co.	3	Swindon	0
Queen's Pk R.	2	Brighton	1
Reading	1	Millwall	0
Southend	1	Bournemouth	0
Torquay	1	Walsall	0
Watford	4	Bristol R.	0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Accrington	1	Carlisle	4
Chester	1	Halifax	1
Darlington	1	Southport	1
Doncaster	4	Bradford C.	0
Gateshead	2	Crewe	0
Hull C.	3	Wrexham	2
Lincoln	2	Hartlepool	1
N. Brighton	2	Barrow	1
Oldham	3	Port Vale	0
Rochdale	0	York	0
Rotherham	2	Tranmere	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION

Aberdeen	3	Partick	1
Arbroath	4	Ayr	0
Clyde	1	St. Mirren	1
*Hamilton	4	Hibernian	0
Hearts	2	Third Lanark	1
Kilmarnock	2	Celtic	1
Morton	0	Dundee	2
Queen O'S.	0	Motherwell	3
Queen's Park	1	Falkirk	5
Rangers	2	St. Johnstone	2

* Played on Friday.

SECOND DIVISION

Airdrie	4	Alloa	1
Brechin	2	Raith	8
Cowdenhoath	2	King's Park	6
Dundee U.	2	Montrose	1
East Fife	1	Albion	2
East Stirling	2	Dunbar	2
Forfar	4	Edinburgh	4
Leith	1	St. Bernard's	1
Stenhouse	2	Dundee	5

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TOURING TEAM DIFFICULTIES

(By "Pivot")

RECENTLY I suggested that Australia should invite a South African soccer side to tour next season. At the week-end I received interesting news. Aberdeen, with the team that lost to Celtic in the final of the Scottish Cup, have been beaten three times in South Africa.

MR. J. SACKS, OF NATAL (SOUTH AFRICA), WHO IS TOURING AUSTRALIA WITH THE SPRINGBOKS, CALLED RECENTLY AND, IN THE COURSE OF A CHAT, SAID THAT AUSTRALIA WAS IN FOR A GREAT TREAT IF WE SUCCEEDED IN LANDING A SOUTH AFRICAN TEAM NEXT SEASON. "I HAVE JUST RECEIVED WORD THAT ABERDEEN HAVE HAD ANYTHING BUT A HAPPY PASSAGE THROUGH THE UNION," HE TOLD ME.

Two months previously Celtic could beat them only by the odd goal of three, but Natal, Combined Transvaal, and Eastern Transvaal proved too good for them. In several other matches Aberdeen just scraped home.

One of Aberdeen's star players, Strauss, is a South African, and don't lose sight of the fact that Riley, Gordon, Hodgson, Nieuwenhigs, and other South African players have gone straight into English First Division teams.

Have we any men in Australia who could make this grade? Crowhurst might do so, but I cannot name any others.

However, to get away from matters controversial, I can assure readers that Australia's Soccer chiefs will bring off a great coup if they can induce South Africa to tour here next season.

WORLD'S BEST

"The Cape Argus" of June 15 contains the following: Mr. F. W. Fell, president of the South African Football Association, said apropos of the Aberdeen visit: "Our Soccer is the best in the world in the amateur sphere."

"Serious repercussions may follow Aberdeen's defeats as far as future tours are concerned. It may be difficult to induce other professional sides to make the trip to South Africa. My one ambition is to get an English or Scottish international side to visit South Africa."

OVERSEAS TOURS

"Overseas Soccer is so commercialised that everyone is too concerned about League gates to worry about an amateur side. Meanwhile, the policy of South Africa will be to arrange overseas tours as often as possible — every year preferably."

Mr. Fell's aim and objective coincide with that expressed by me in "The Referee" last week. The present English visit has improved our playing standard immeasurably, and publicised the game for the

PORTUGAL OUTCLASS SWITZERLAND

Gutierrez Shield
Preliminary

Portugal qualified to meet Scotland in the First Round of the Gutierrez Shield International bowls competition by beating Switzerland in the preliminary round yesterday at the Kowloon B.G.C. by 32 shots to 10.

The Portuguese team were head and shoulders above the Swiss team, and the margin of victory did not flatter them.

A six on the fourth head for Portugal was the biggest count of the day. The Portuguese also scored four threes, and six twos. The Swiss had two twos and six singles.

The first round proper will be played next Sunday.

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(Skip)	32 (Skip)
	10

MISS BRADBURY WINS K.C.C. LADIES' H'CAP. SINGLES

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Decided to quit the country in October, 1934. Booked his passage to the United States. A friend prevailed on Sheffield Wednesday's manager to give Surtees a month's trial before he said "good-bye" to England.

Before the month was up the trialist was a regular member of Wednesday's League team, and that season he helped the Sheffielders to win the F. A. Cup. Eighteen months ago he was transferred to Nottingham Forest for a fee round about \$3,000. There's romance for you.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION			
P.R.C.	59	C.S.C.C.	67
K.C.C.	53	K.D.R.C.	52
H.K.F.C.	53	C. de R.	71
SECOND DIVISION			
C. de R.	55	C.C.C.	57
K.C.C.	70	P.R.C.	42
K.E.G.C.	67	Taikee	54
THIRD DIVISION			
K.F.C.	43	C. de R.	58
H.K.E.R.C.	73	R.H.K.Y.C.	57
H.K.F.C.	71	C.C.C.	52
K. Tong	84	C.S.C.C.	31

DURHAM LAD FOR SOUTHPORT

Southport are likely to take another left winger on their staff in the near future in Armes, a young Durham lad who had a period with Leeds United last season. The Durham area has provided Southport with many good players in the past.

SOUTHEND INTERESTED IN McLEAN

Southend United have advised Yoker Athletic that they are keenly interested in McLean, one of their half-backs, and are following up the advice note.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

First Division

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Shots Up	Shots Dn.	Pts.
CLUB de RECREIO	12	10	2	0	782	643	139	0	20
CRAIGENGOWER	12	9	3	0	804	676	128	0	18
KOWLOON DOCK R.C.	12	7	5	0	752	662	90	0	14
KOWLOON B.C.C.	13	6	7	0	773	772	1	0	12
CIVIL SERVICE	12	5	6	1	700	707	0	7	11
KOWLOON C.C.	12	5	7	0	649	699	0	50	10
POLICE R.C.	12	3	7	2	650	784	0	134	8
FOOTBALL CLUB	13	2	10	1	686	853	0	167	5
TOTALS	98	47	47	4	5796	5796	358	358	98

Second Division

INDIAN R.C.	13	11	1	1	830	673	157	0	23
CRAIGENGOWER	13	11	2	0	872	681	191	0	22
CLUB de RECREIO	12	8	3	1	793	630	163	0	17
KOWLOON B.C.C.	13	6	7	0	784	776	8	0	12
TAIKOO DOCKS R.C.	13	4	9	0	720	748	0	28	8
POLICE R.C.	12	3	9	0	608	752	0	144	6
FOOTBALL CLUB	12	3	9	0	620	764	0	144	6
KOWLOON C.C.	12	3	9	0	622	825	0	203	6
TOTALS	100	49	49	2	5849	5849	519	519	100

Third Division

CIVIL SERVICE	13	10	3	0	845	670	175	0	20
KOWLOON TONG	13	8	5	0	814	704	110	0	16
CLUB de RECREIO	12	7	5	0	691	716	0	25	14
H. K. ELECTRIC R.C.	13	7	6	0	746	727	19	0	14
YACHT CLUB	14	6	8	0	809	840	0	31	12
FOOTBALL CLUB	13	5	8	0	750	782	0	32	10
K. FOOTBALL CLUB	11	4	7	0	563	674	0	111	8
CRAIGENGOWER	13	4	9	0	736	841	0	105	8
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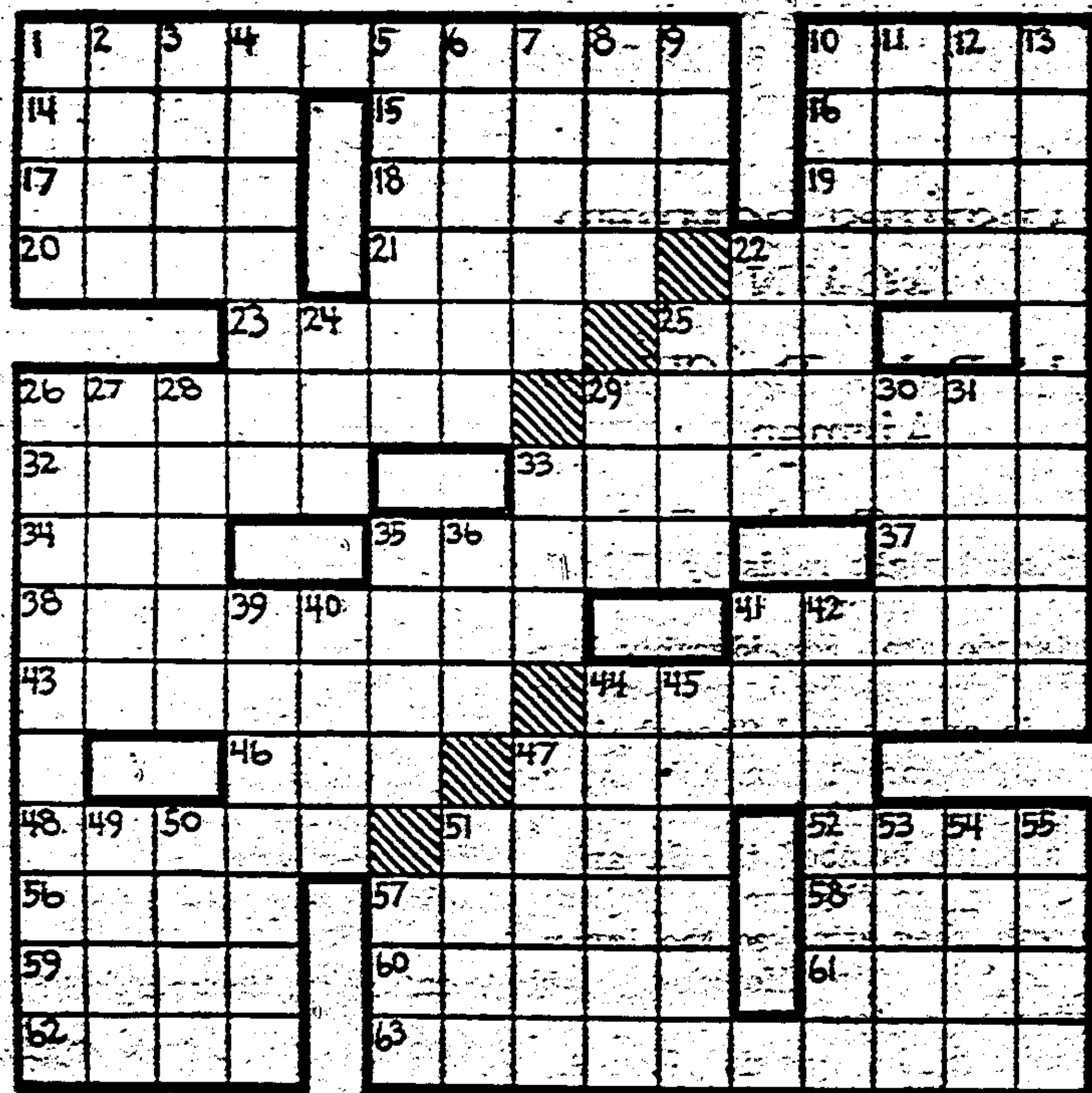
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional
phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.

**HORIZONTAL**

- 1—Low spirits
- 10—Spreads loosely for
drying, as grass
- 14—To the sheltered side
- 15—Immense
- 16—Same as Chios
- 17—Strike with the open
hand
- 18—Corn-meal mush
(Mex.)
- 19—Island group off
Irish coast
- 20—Luminous circle
around the moon
- 21—Climbing plant
- 22—Compressed by
twisting
- 23—Prophets
- 25—Hawaiian food
- 26—Incite to anger
- 28—Anxious
- 32—Running knot
- 33—Spray-nozzle
- 34—Seven
- 35—Fifteen hundred
three
- 37—I have (contr.)
- 38—Inhabitant of an
island
- 41—Length measure (pl.)
- 43—State of having left
a will

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 44—An insect (pl.)
- 46—A twitching of the
muscles
- 47—Not fresh
- 48—The idiom spoken in
Ceylon
- 51—Poet
- 52—First man
- 56—River in Tyrol and
Bavaria
- 57—Troubled
- 58—Piece of baked clay
- 59—Combining-form.
Bone
- 60—Smooth and even
- 61—Epochs
- 62—Negative votes
- 63—Claimants to a
throne

VERTICAL

- 1—Start suddenly
- 2—Girl's name
- 3—Resound
- 4—Reclines
- 5—Series
- 6—Banter
- 7—Fetters
- 8—Sly glance
- 9—Born
- 10—Feminine of tsar
- 11—Cream colored

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 12—Feminine name
- 13—Female singer
- 22—Abraded
- 24—"A" compass point
(abbr.)
- 25—Combining form.
Equal
- 26—Request to attend
- 27—Din
- 28—Winds spirally
- 29—Prefix. Upon
- 30—Magistrate of
ancient Rome
- 31—Cut
- 32—A title
- 35—Seventeen hundred
- 36—Turkish governor
- 39—Dresses
- 40—A claw
- 41—Wire measure
- 42—Shaped ideas
- 44—Thoroughfare
- 45—To row gently
- 47—To soothe
- 49—Association (abbr.)
- 50—Pal
- 51—Framework to
support a coffin
- 52—Dreadful
- 54—Wing-shaped
- 55—State of disorder
- 57—High mountain

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle
will appear in tomorrow's issue.

HOSTILITIES THREAT TO S. CHINA

London, To-day.

The sudden departure of H. M. S. Delight from Hong Kong for Foochow, while connected with the blockade situation, is believed to presage the imminent outbreak of hostilities along the south coast.

There has already been some unrest in Foochow.

In Amoy, the Japanese authorities have ordered their nationals to leave the town. The Japanese Consular staff there has already been recalled.—Trans-Ocean.

POSTPONEMENT OF BRITISH TALKS IN ROME

London, To-day.

The Anglo-Italian negotiations, originally planned to begin in September after the return to Rome of the British Ambassador, Lord Perth, will probably have to be postponed.

Lord Perth, formerly Sir Eric Drummond, who has just succeeded to the title, will probably be detained in England by important family affairs and is not expected to return to the Italian capital until the end of September.

As his collaboration is felt to be indispensable, it is believed that the Anglo-Italian discussions will not begin till the end of September.—Trans-Ocean.

Rebel Drive In Asturias

Salamanca, To-day.

The latest war communique issued by Nationalist headquarters here speaks of the steady advance of the Nationalist forces west of Santander.

Several important towns were captured yesterday afternoon, including positions in the Escudo Mountains.

The Nationalists are encountering no serious resistance in their advance, objective of which is Asturias, the border of which they reached yesterday afternoon.

Altogether, more than 70,000 Basque prisoners have been taken and interned in camps since the fall of Santander a few days ago.

Fighting on a large scale has developed on the Aragon front, where the Republicans, with 30,000 men as well as tanks and planes, took the offensive.—Trans-Ocean.

TWO FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. William John Gardiner Smith, of No. 5, Stanley Terrace, and Miss Janet Graham Mackenzie, of No. 20, South Street, Greenock, who is en route to the Colony on board the s.s. Corfu has been announced.

The wedding Mr. Percy Robert Stewart-Walsham, of the Chinese Maritime Customs, Customs Compound, Swatow, and Miss Tamara Ellis, of the same address, will also take place in the Colony soon.

JAPANESE TRANSPORT HIT BY BOMB

CHANG HUA CREEK ROUT

Shanghai C.-In-C.'s Statement

Shanghai, To-day.

In a statement to the Central News Agency last night, General Chang Chih-chung, Commander-in-chief of the Central Forces in Shanghai, declared that the Japanese landing party around Chang Hua Creek in the Woosung area, has been entirely routed. He added that other landing parties in the vicinity of Lotienchen have been surrounded by Chinese troops.—Central News.

TRANSPORT HIT OFF WOOSUNG

Seriously Damaged By Bombs

Nanking, To-day.

A Japanese transport in the vicinity of Ssuchiaoshan off Woosung was seriously damaged and disabled by bombs dropped from Chinese planes yesterday, according to military information received here to-day.

It is also reported that the Japanese landing parties north-west of Lotienchen have suffered heavy casualties following an air raid by the same squadron of Chinese bombers yesterday.—Central News.

JAPANESE RETREAT IN NORTH

Attack Repulsed With Heavy Loss

Paoting, To-day.

A large force of Japanese troops which attempted to penetrate the Chinese lines at Pantitien, west of the Peiping-Hankow Railway yesterday, was thrown back with heavy losses, according to military intelligence received here to-day.

The Japanese are now gathering the remnants of their forces at Paikoukow.—Central News.

SWATOW FOOD COMMITTEE

To Organise Against Profiteering

Swatow, To-day.

A committee for the supervision of the import and distribution of foodstuffs in the city has been organised here, and will operate in Swatow and its vicinity.

The committee will also attempt to prevent profiteering.

A telegram has been sent by the committee to rice merchants in South China to ship rice to Swatow in order to meet the demands in the city and its surrounding area.—Central News.

70 BOMBS DROPPED

Japanese Planes At Tatung

Kweisui, To-day.

Continuing their air raids on interior cities in the north, a squadron of 17 heavy Japanese bombers yesterday subjected Tatung, im-

NO ROOM NOW FOR DIPLOMACY

Japanese Comment On Soviet Pact

Tokyo, To-day.

The former Prime Minister, Mr. Arita, left Moji this morning and is proceeding to the Manchu-Soviet frontier on an inspection tour, and will then proceed to North China.

In an interview before his departure he stated, "There is no room now for diplomatic negotiations. We must fight to the last."

Commenting on the Sino-Soviet Pact, a Foreign Office spokesman to-day said that the agreement means the poisoning of the whole of the East, jeopardising and endangering the peace of the world.—Our Own Correspondent.

JAPANESE CLAIM

Peiping-Suiyuan Fighting

Tientsin, To-day.

It is claimed that the railway between Changkakou and Peiping has now been entirely occupied by Japanese troops and that the Chinese are attacking from Shansi.

The Japanese consider occupation of the line as vital because it severs an important link of Soviet Russia with China.—Our Own Correspondent.

WARSHIPS BOMBED AGAIN

Night Raids By Chinese Airmen

Shanghai, To-day.

Repeated night raids by Chinese planes off Woosung, Hongkew and Yangtsepoo are considerably harassing Japanese land, sea and air forces in and around Shanghai.

Shortly before 1 a.m. this morning, Chinese bombers flying at a high altitude bombed the Japanese warships along the coast. Returning north, they attacked the Japanese lines in the Hongkew and Yangtsepoo sectors.

Despite the heavy firing from the Japanese anti-aircraft guns the Chinese planes escaped unscathed.—Central News.

LAST EVACUATING TO-DAY

Tsingtao, To-day.

A total of 1,330 Japanese, including 50 women and 30 children, have left here on Japanese vessels for Moji.

Evacuation of the remaining few Japanese men here will be completed to-day when the business of these individuals is concluded.—Central News.

portant railway junction and coal centre in Shansi on the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway, to one of the most severe bombings to date.

According to reports received here more than 70 bombs were rained on the town and Tsalkoupao, another village.

The exact extent of the damage has not been disclosed but it is feared that many lives were lost during the raid.—Central News.

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